

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 168

House of Representatives, January 11, 1999

**An Act Relating to the Registration Requirements of the Military  
Selective Service Act.**

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Reference to the Committee on Legal and Veterans Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport.  
Cosponsored by Representatives: BERRY of Belmont, CLARK of Millinocket, COLWELL  
of Gardiner, COWGER of Hallowell, GERRY of Auburn, GOODWIN of Pembroke,  
SANBORN of Alton, WHEELER of Eliot.

2 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

4 Sec. 1. 37-B MRSA c. 3, sub-c. VII-A is enacted to read:

6 **SUBCHAPTER VII-A**

8 **SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS**  
**AND COMPLIANCE**

10 **§351. Definitions**

12 For the purposes of this subchapter, "employee" does not  
14 include elective officers and officers who, under the  
Constitution of Maine, are appointed by the Governor or chosen by  
16 the Legislature.

18 **§352. Application**

20 A person who is not in compliance with the Military  
Selective Service Act, 50 United States Code, Section 451, et  
22 seq. may not:

24 1. Postsecondary education. Enroll in a state-supported  
institution of postsecondary or higher education;

26 2. Student loans. Receive a loan, grant, scholarship or  
other financial assistance for postsecondary or higher education  
28 supported by state revenue, including federal funds, gifts or  
grants accepted by the State or receive a student loan guaranteed  
30 by the State; or

32 3. Government employee. Having attained 18 years of age,  
be employed as a state employee or an employee of a political  
34 subdivision of the State.

36 **§353. Responsibility for compliance**

38 An official having charge of or authority over the hiring of  
employees of the State or a political subdivision of the State, a  
40 state-supported institution of postsecondary or higher education  
or having authority to make decisions relating to the granting of  
42 state-supported financial assistance for postsecondary or higher  
education, as described in section 352, subsection 2, shall  
44 ensure that applicants are in compliance with the requirements of  
section 352 or covered by the exceptions of section 354.

46 **§354. Exceptions**

48 Section 352 does not apply to a person:  
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2 1. No requirement to register. For whom the requirement to  
3 register under the Military Selective Service Act, 50 United  
4 States Code, Section 451, et seq. has terminated or otherwise  
5 become inapplicable to the person; or

6 2. Service completed or exempted. Who is serving or  
7 already has served in the military or who has a condition that  
8 would, under military rules, preclude military service.

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## SUMMARY

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13 This bill, based on a New Hampshire law, prevents persons  
14 who have failed to comply with the Military Selective Service Act  
15 of the United States from attending state-supported institutions  
16 of postsecondary or higher education, receiving student loans and  
being employed by the State or its political subdivisions.