

## WARS BEFORE WORLD WAR I

## [§ 1531. Vacant]

## CODIFICATION

Prior to renumbering of sections 501 to 543 of this chapter as sections 1501 to 1543 by Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 406, section 531 of this chapter, Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1137; Pub. L. 90-77, title I, §105, Aug. 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 179, which provided for a monthly pension to widows of Mexican War veterans, was repealed by Pub. L. 94-169, title I, §101(2)(F), Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 1014, effective Jan. 1, 1976.

**§ 1532. Surviving spouses of Civil War veterans**

(a) The Secretary shall pay to the surviving spouse of each Civil War veteran who met the service requirements of this section a pension at the following monthly rate:

- (1) \$40.64 if such surviving spouse is below seventy years of age; or
- (2) \$70 if such surviving spouse is seventy years of age or older.

(b) If there is a child of the veteran, the rate of pension paid to the surviving spouse under subsection (a) shall be increased by \$8.13 per month for each such child.

(c) A veteran met the service requirements of this section if such veteran served for ninety days or more in the active military or naval service during the Civil War, as heretofore defined under public laws administered by the Veterans' Administration, or if such veteran was discharged or released from such service upon a surgeon's certificate of disability.

(d) No pension shall be paid to a surviving spouse of a veteran under this section unless such surviving spouse was married to such veteran—

- (1) before June 27, 1905; or
- (2) for one year or more; or
- (3) for any period of time if a child was born of the marriage, or was born to them before the marriage.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1137, §532; Pub. L. 90-77, title I, §§101(a), 105, Aug. 31, 1967, 81 Stat. 178, 179; Pub. L. 94-169, title I, §106(20)-(23), Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 1018; Pub. L. 102-54, §14(b)(7), June 13, 1991, 105 Stat. 283; renumbered §1532 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§4(a)(1), (b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 403-406; Pub. L. 103-446, title XII, §1201(a)(2), Nov. 2, 1994, 108 Stat. 4682.)

## AMENDMENTS

1994—Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 103-446 substituted "Veterans' Administration" for "Secretary".

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), renumbered section 532 of this title as this section.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator" in introductory provisions.

Pub. L. 102-54 substituted a period for semicolon at end of par. (2) and struck out at end "unless such surviving spouse was the spouse of the veteran during such veteran's service in the Civil War, in which case the monthly rate shall be \$75."

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 102-83, §4(a)(1), substituted "administered by the Secretary" for "administered by the Veterans' Administration".

1975—Pub. L. 94-169, §106(23), substituted "Surviving spouses" for "Widows" in section catchline.

Subsec. (a). Pub. L. 94-169, §106(20), substituted "pay to the surviving spouse" for "pay to the widow", "such

surviving spouse" for "she" wherever appearing, "was the spouse" for "was the wife" and "such veteran's" for "his".

Subsec. (b). Pub. L. 94-169, §106(21), substituted "surviving spouse" for "widow".

Subsec. (c). Pub. L. 94-169, §106(21), substituted "such veteran" for "he" wherever appearing.

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 94-169, §106(22), substituted "surviving spouse", "such surviving spouse" and "such veteran" for "widow", "she" and "him", respectively.

1967—Subsec. (a)(2). Pub. L. 90-77, §105, substituted "\$70" for "\$65".

Subsec. (d). Pub. L. 90-77, §101(a), qualified widow of a veteran for a pension by reducing in par. (2) the requisite marriage period from five years to one year and by making her eligible for benefits in par. (3) in event of antenuptial birth.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Section 106 of Pub. L. 94-169 provided that the amendment made by that section is effective Jan. 1, 1976.

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1967 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 90-77 effective first day of first calendar month which begins more than ten days after Aug. 31, 1967, see section 405 of Pub. L. 90-77, set out as a note under section 101 of this title.

**§ 1533. Children of Civil War veterans**

Whenever there is no surviving spouse entitled to pension under section 1532 of this title, the Secretary shall pay to the children of each Civil War veteran who met the service requirements of section 1532 of this title a pension at the monthly rate of \$73.13 for one child, plus \$8.13 for each additional child, with the total amount equally divided.

(Pub. L. 85-857, Sept. 2, 1958, 72 Stat. 1137, §533; Pub. L. 94-169, title I, §106(25), Dec. 23, 1975, 89 Stat. 1018; renumbered §1533 and amended Pub. L. 102-83, §§4(b)(1), (2)(E), 5(a), (c)(1), Aug. 6, 1991, 105 Stat. 404-406.)

## AMENDMENTS

1991—Pub. L. 102-83, §5(a), renumbered section 533 of this title as this section.

Pub. L. 102-83, §5(c)(1), substituted "1532" for "532" in two places.

Pub. L. 102-83, §4(b)(1), (2)(E), substituted "Secretary" for "Administrator".

1975—Pub. L. 94-169 substituted "surviving spouse" for "widow".

## EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1975 AMENDMENT

Section 106 of Pub. L. 94-169 provided that the amendment made by that section is effective Jan. 1, 1976.

**§ 1534. Surviving spouses of Indian War veterans**

(a) The Secretary shall pay to the surviving spouse of each Indian War veteran who met the service requirements of section 1511 of this title a pension at the following monthly rate:

- (1) \$40.64 if such surviving spouse is below seventy years of age; or
- (2) \$70 if such surviving spouse is seventy years of age or older.

(b) If there is a child of the veteran, the rate of pension paid to the surviving spouse under subsection (a) shall be increased by \$8.13 per month for each such child.

(c) No pension shall be paid to a surviving spouse of a veteran under this section unless such surviving spouse was married to such veteran—