

[REPUBLIC ACT NO. 154, June 14, 1947]

**AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION EIGHT OF REPUBLIC ACT
NUMBERED SIXTY-FIVE, GRANTING CERTAIN PRIVILEGES TO
VETERANS IN TAKING THE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in
Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. Section eight, Republic Act Numbered Sixty-five, is hereby amended to
read as follows:

"SEC. 8. For a period of three years from the time of the passage of this
Act, the persons mentioned in sections one and two hereof shall, all other
qualifications being equal:

"(1) Have preference in appointments and promotions in and
to any Government office, agency, or instrumentality, or in
and to any Government-owned or subsidized corporation, the
provisions of law as to civil service eligibility notwithstanding:
Provided, That in examinations where experience is an
element of qualification the time spent in the military or naval
service of the United States or of the Philippines shall be
credited in a veterans' rating where his actual employment in
a similar vocation to that for which he is examined was
interrupted by such military or naval service.

"(2) Have preference to purchase public lands and
Government-owned or managed agricultural farms or
subdivisions, to obtain homesteads, concessions and
franchises, and other privileges for the exploitation of the
national resources which are permissible and made available
by existing law or the like; and

"(3) Have preference to purchase enemy and war surplus
properties of any nature whatsoever which the Government
may sell.

"The rights and privileges provided in paragraphs two and
three of this section may be extended by the President, upon
the recommendation of the Board, to Filipino officers and
enlisted men who have served with the Forces of Liberation of
the United States Army in the Philippines or who have served
elsewhere in the Army, Naval or Air Forces of the United
States or of any allied nation during the war and have
established their *bone fide* intention to be repatriated to or
established in their homes in the Philippines and to veterans of
Philippine revolutions against Spain and the United States.