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I SPONSORED THE VIETNAM VETERAN'S EDUCATIONAL ACT THAT WAS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE TODAY. THE BILL IS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THE PRESENT GI BILL AND BRING VETERANS EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS UP TO A LEVEL RECEIVED BY VETERANS OF PREVIOUS WARS.

MAJOR PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE BILL ARE AS FOLLOWS:

- * THE VA WOULD PAY UP TO \$600 A YEAR TUITION AFTER THE VETERAN PAYS THE FIRST \$400
- * THE ELIGIBILITY PERIOD IS INCREASED FROM 8 TO 10 YEARS
- * THE SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE IS INCREASED OVER 13%
- * THERE WOULD BE A 36 MONTH ENTITLEMENT PERIOD WITH AN EXTENSION OF UP TO 9 MORE MONTHS FOR ON-GOING PROGRAMS

THESE ARE ONLY A FEW PROVISIONS OF THIS LONG OVERDUE MEASURE.

IT'S AN INVESTMENT IN THE FUTURE AND THE PEOPLE OF KANSAS AND THE NATION STAND TO GAIN MUCH FROM IT.

