

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 264**

**Introduced by Assembly Member Carrillo**

January 16, 2025

An act to repeal Section 896.1 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 264, as introduced, Carrillo. Veterans: benefits.

Existing law establishes various educational benefits for dependents of veterans who were killed during military service or are totally disabled, as specified. Existing law defines “dependent of a veteran” to include the spouse of a totally disabled veteran. Existing law prohibits a dependent of a veteran from receiving these educational benefits during the time the dependent is entitled to receive specified federal educational benefits or duplicate assistance from any other government source.

This bill would repeal that prohibition.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 896.1 of the Military and Veterans Code  
2     is repealed.  
3     ~~896.1. No dependent of a veteran, as defined in paragraph (1);~~  
4     ~~(2) or (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 890, shall be eligible to~~  
5     ~~receive the benefits of this article during the time that he is entitled~~  
6     ~~to receive federal educational benefits under Chapter 35, Title 38,~~

- 1 ~~United States Code, as amended, or duplicate assistance from any~~
- 2 ~~other government source.~~

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