

- New and additional allowances for exceptionally incapacitated 100 per cent pensioners;
- Special provisions for all former prisoners of war of the Japanese;
- New and independent Bureau of Pensions Advocates replaces Veterans Bureau;
- The intent of the "benefit of the doubt" clause defined and incorporated into the Act;
- Additional pensions provided for pensioners who suffer loss of "paired" organ, regardless of cause;
- Provision for widows to initiate or reopen claims in respect of their deceased husbands;
- Presumption of fitness on enlistment (subject to rebuttal);
- Removal of time limits for pension claims under Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act; and

—New rules respecting claims for disability and death related to Regular Force service.

Request for more information about these and other benefits in the Act, and applications for them, should be sent to your:

- Senior Pensions Medical Examiner or District Pensions Advocate
- or to
- The Chief Pensions Advocate, Ottawa, Canada, KIA OP4 or
- The Secretary, Canadian Pension Commission, Ottawa, Canada, KIA OP

Published under the Authority of The Honourable J. E. Dubé, Minister of Veterans Affairs.

APPENDIX "B"

THE ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION  
LA LÉGIION ROYALE CANADIENNE

6 April 1971

J. A. Hinds, Esq.,  
Assistant Director,  
Committees Branch,  
The Senate,  
OTTAWA.

Re: Bills 232 - 3 - 4  
Dear Mr. Hinds:

This will confirm the details of our brief telephone conversation.

The Legion does not propose to make representations before the Senate Committees concerning the Acts to

amend the Pension Act and the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act.

Yours truly,

Kerry John Dunphy,  
SERVICE OFFICER.  
(for) Director—Service Bureau.

April 6th, 1971

Mr. Hinds

This is to advise that the National Council of Veteran Associations does not wish to present a brief to the Senate Committee in regard to the three veteran's bills.

Kind regards.

H. C. Chadderton,  
National Secretary  
National Council of Veteran Associations

Published under authority of the Senate by the Queen's Printer for Canada

Available from Information Canada, Ottawa, Canada.

PENSION ACT AMENDED	Present Proposed		100% Disability—
	April 1, 1971	April 1, 1971	
Single (no dependents)	3,180	3,504	Single (no dependents)
Married (no children)	4,056	4,404	Married (no children)
Married, one child	4,464	4,820	Married, one child
Married, two children	4,776	5,236	Married, two children
Each additional child	360	396	Each additional child
Dependent of Deceased Pensioner—			Dependent of Deceased Pensioner—
Widow (widower)	2,400	2,640	Widow (widower)
One orphan	816	912	One orphan
Two orphans	1,440	1,584	Two orphans
Three orphans	1,920	2,112	Three orphans

The Pension Act under which the Government of Canada pays compensation for death and disability related to military service has been amended extensively to provide many improved benefits for disabled veterans and their families, and for the widows and orphans of those who have died. Some of the more significant improvements include:

—A new three-level adjudication procedure; initial hearing and entitlement hearing by Canadian Pension Commission with final appeal to new Pension Review Board;