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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LEGAL EDUCATION

To the Minnesota State Bar Association:

Your Committee reports:

REPORT

During the past year the Committee has held only one meeting which was called principally for the purpose of considering a bill providing for admission to the Bar without examination of students in approved law schools in Minnesota who had completed prior to entry into the armed forces two years of law study upon a certificate from the law school that such students had satisfactorily completed all work necessary to entitle them to the degree of Bachelor of Laws and had maintained an average in their studies which placed them in the highest 80% of the students in the class. Your Committee unanimously adopted a resolution expressing its disapproval of the proposed legislation. An appearance was made before the Sub-Committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, and the objections of the Committee were explained, but notwithstanding our objections, the bill was passed by both Senate and House and became a law.

During the year 1946 and up to March 20, 1947, thirty-six persons were admitted to practice law in Minnesota upon certificate that they had been admitted in foreign states. Of those, ten had practiced less than five years in the state of original admittance and received the benefit of the rule giving credit for time spent in the military service in lieu of time spent in active practice.

Respectfully submitted,

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