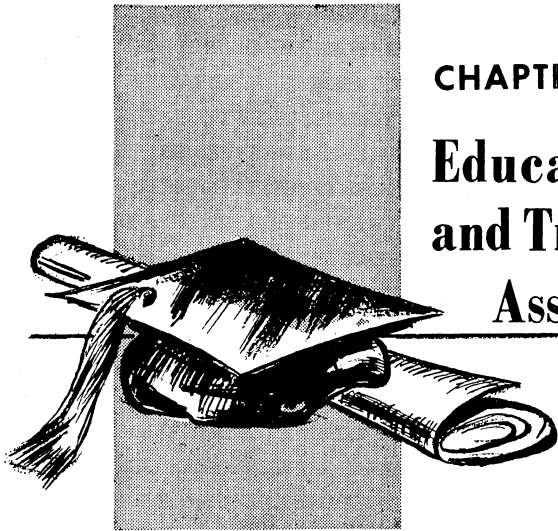




### CHAPTER III

## Educational and Training Assistance

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#### RECOMMENDATION NO. 27

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The Commission recommends that veterans with service-connected disabilities be allowed to pursue vocational rehabilitation on a part-time basis.

#### Background to Recommendation:

The vocational rehabilitation program (chapter 31, title 38 U.S.C.) provides training for veterans of World War II and later service who have been handicapped by service. The program intends to help restore the employability of these veterans to an extent consistent with their degrees of disability. The law provides that training must be pursued on a full-time basis.

Experience has shown that some disabled veterans have family responsibilities which preclude them from participating in vocational rehabilitation training on a full-time basis. The option of part-time training would allow many of these men to learn a skill.

Other veterans, while able to perform some type of gainful employment despite their disabilities, would like to participate in such training on a part-time basis, in order to improve their employment status. Except for their