AN ACT to amend 27.01 (8) (a) and 27.01 (8) (b) (intro.); and to create 27.01 (7) (c) 11., 27.01 (7) (c) 12. and 27.01 (8) (bn) of the statutes; relating to: free access to state parks and state trails by certain disabled veterans and former prisoners of war.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 27.01 (7) (c) 11. of the statutes is created to read:

27.01 (7) (c) 11. Any vehicle, except a motor bus, occupied by a state resident who produces evidence that shows that he or she is a veteran, as defined in 38 USC 101, and is receiving disability compensation benefits under 38 USC 1101 to 1163 as individually unemployed under 38 USC 1502 or for disabilities that result in a disability rating that is 70 percent or greater under 38 USC 1114.

SECTION 2. 27.01 (7) (c) 12. of the statutes is created to read:

27.01 (7) (c) 12. Any vehicle, except a motor bus, occupied by a state resident who produces evidence that shows that he or she was a member of the U.S. armed services and was held as a prisoner of war during a war period, as defined in s. 45.01 (13), or while in service in a crisis zone, as defined in s. 45.01 (11).

SECTION 3. 27.01 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

27.01 (8) (a) Admission fee. Except as provided under pars. (b) and (bn), the department may charge a person an admission fee to enter Heritage Hill state park or a state trail.

SECTION 4. 27.01 (8) (b) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

27.01 (8) (b) Exemptions; Heritage Hill and state trails. (intro.) No admission fee to enter Heritage Hill State Park or any state trail may be charged for entry by any of the following:

SECTION 5. 27.01 (8) (bn) of the statutes is created to read:

27.01 (8) (bn) Exemptions; state trails only. No admission fee to enter any state trail may be charged for entry by any of the following:

1. Any state resident who produces evidence that shows that he or she is a veteran, as defined in 38 USC 101, and is receiving disability compensation benefits under 38 USC 1101 to 1163 as individually unemployed under 38 USC 1502 or for disabilities that result in a disability rating that is 70 percent or greater under 38 USC 1114.

2. Any state resident who produces evidence that shows that he or she was a member of the U.S. armed services and was held as a prisoner of war during a war period, as defined in s. 45.01 (13), or while in service in a crisis zone, as defined in s. 45.01 (11).
SECTION 6. Effective date.

(1) This act takes effect on first day of the 6th month beginning after publication.