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1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 373

June 10, 1999 – Introduced by Representatives Musser, Turner, Brandemuehl, Plouff, Seratti, Porter, Hahn, Goetsch, Freese, Nass and Hundertmark, cosponsored by Senator Wirch. Referred to Committee on Government Operations.

- 1 AN ACT to amend 45.49 (1) and 230.35 (4) (a) 3.; and to create 45.49 (1m) and
- 2 230.35 (4) (a) 11. of the statutes; **relating to:** state government holidays.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, all offices of the agencies of state government are closed on Saturdays, Sundays and a total of nine state holidays. Among these holidays is the last Monday in May, which is used as the day of celebration for May 30. (This day is traditionally used to celebrate and observe Memorial Day.) This bill provides that May 30 must be the day on which the offices of the agencies of state government are closed to celebrate and observe Memorial Day, unless May 30 falls on a Saturday or Sunday. If May 30 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then the following Monday is the day on which the offices of the agencies of state government are closed.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

- 3 **Section 1.** 45.49 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 45.49 (1) The head of every department of the state government and of every
- 5 court of the state, every superintendent or foreman on the public works of the state,

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every Every county officer, and the head of every department or office in any town, village, city, or other political subdivision, shall give a leave of absence with pay for 24 hours on the last Monday in May of each year, which shall be the day of celebration for May 30, to every person in the employ of the state or any county, town, village or city therein, who has at any time served in and been honorably discharged from the army, air force, coast guard, merchant marine, navy or marine corps of the United States. A refusal to give such leave of absence to one entitled thereto, shall constitute neglect of duty.

Section 2. 45.49 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

45.49 (1m) The head of every department of the state government and of every court of the state, and every superintendent or foreman on the public works of the state, shall give a leave of absence with pay for 24 hours on May 30, or the Monday immediately following May 30 if May 30 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, to every person in the employ of the state who has at any time served in and been honorably discharged from the army, air force, coast guard, merchant marine, navy or marine corps of the United States. A refusal to give such leave of absence to one entitled thereto shall constitute neglect of duty.

Section 3. 230.35 (4) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

230.35 (4) (a) 3. The last Monday in May, which shall be the day of celebration for May 30;

SECTION 4. 230.35 (4) (a) 11. of the statutes is created to read:

230.35 **(4)** (a) 11. If May 30 falls on a Saturday or Sunday, then the following Monday.

(END)