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2005 SENATE BILL 427

November 9, 2005 – Introduced by Senators Hansen, Erpenbach, Grothman, Plale and Roessler, cosponsored by Representatives Musser, Nischke, Boyle, Sinicki, Sheridan, Freese, Lehman, Vruwink, Albers, Berceau, McCormick, Petrowski, Hines, Ott and Molepske. Referred to Committee on Veterans, Homeland Security, Military Affairs, Small Business and Government Reform.

AN ACT to amend 36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.) and 38.24 (7) (a) (intro.); and to create

36.27 (3n) (a) 3. and 38.24 (7) (a) 3. of the statutes; **relating to:** eligibility for

tuition fee remission for spouses and children of certain veterans.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law, as created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 25 (the 2005 budget act), provides the remission of tuition for certain students attending the University of Wisconsin System and technical college campuses. Under that act, the spouses, children, or surviving spouses of certain veterans are eligible for a full remission of tuition at the University of Wisconsin System and at the technical colleges. For the spouse, surviving spouse, or child to be eligible, the veteran must have entered service while a resident of this state and either died while on duty or incurred a service–connected disability that is rated as 30 percent or more while a resident of this state.

This bill adds eligibility to spouses, surviving spouses, or children of veterans if the veteran was a resident of this state for at least ten continuous years before the student registers and the veteran has incurred a service-connected disability that is rated as 30 percent or more.

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:

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1	Section 1. 36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin
2	Act 25, is amended to read:
3	36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.) In this subsection, "eligible veteran" means a person
4	verified by the department of veterans affairs to be either any of the following:
5	Section 2. 36.27 (3n) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:
6	36.27 (3n) (a) 3. A person who has incurred at least a 30 percent
7	service-connected disability rating under 38 USC 1114 or 1134 and who was a
8	resident of this state for at least 10 continuous years immediately preceding the
9	beginning of any semester or session for which the spouse, surviving spouse, or child
10	registers at an institution.
11	Section 3. 38.24 (7) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin
12	Act 25, is amended to read:
13	38.24 (7) (a) (intro.) In this subsection, "eligible veteran" means a person
14	verified by the department of veterans affairs to be either any of the following:
15	Section 4. 38.24 (7) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:
16	38.24 (7) (a) 3. A person who has incurred at least a 30 percent
17	service-connected disability rating under 38 USC 1114 or 1134 and who was a
18	resident of this state for at least 10 continuous years immediately preceding the
19	beginning of any semester or session for which the spouse, surviving spouse, or child
20	registers at a technical college.
21	(END)