



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 317

April 19, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives MUSSER, HUEBSCH, SERATTI, BOYLE, HAHN, BOCK, DOBYNS, GRONEMUS, NOTESTEIN, R. YOUNG, RILEY, OURADA, HASENOHRL, MORRIS-TATUM, WIRCH, KREUSER and OTT, cosponsored by Senators ZIEN, SCHULTZ, BRESKE, MOEN, ANDREA and COWLES. Referred to Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 45.357 of the statutes; **relating to:** eligibility for the veterans
2 rehabilitation program.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the veterans rehabilitation program is available to persons who served in the U.S. armed forces or forces incorporated as part of the U.S. armed forces on active duty under honorable conditions in certain war periods or who received certain medals. The program provides medical, education, employment and housing services to rehabilitate veterans who need these services based on homelessness or incarceration. This bill expands the persons eligible under the program to any person who has served in the U.S. armed forces or forces incorporated as part of the U.S. armed forces. The bill allows the department of veterans affairs to provide grants for the provision of services under the program.

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.** 45.357 of the statutes is amended to read:
4 **45.357 Veterans rehabilitation program.** The department of veterans
5 affairs shall administer a rehabilitation program to provide assistance to veterans,
6 as defined under s. 45.37 (1a) persons who served in the U.S. armed forces or in forces
7 incorporated as part of the U.S. armed forces. The department shall provide

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1 assistance to ~~a veteran~~ persons whose need for services is based upon homelessness,
2 incarceration or other circumstances designated by the department by rule. The
3 department shall designate the assistance available under this section, which may
4 include assistance in receiving medical care, dental care, education, employment
5 and transitional housing. The department may provide grants to facilitate the
6 provision of services under this section.

7 (END)