



2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 185

April 22, 2015 - Introduced by Representatives HESSELBEIN, PETRYK, GOYKE, MILROY, SUBECK, MASON, KOLSTE, OHNSTAD, WACHS, SINICKI, THIESFELDT, JOHNSON, POPE, CONSIDINE, ZAMARRIPA, BERCEAU, HEBL, SHANKLAND, SPREITZER and RIEMER, cosponsored by Senators LASSA, WIRCH and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to create** 14.16 (9g) of the statutes; **relating to:** directing the governor
2 to annually proclaim Veteran Education Awareness Week.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the governor must annually proclaim certain days as holidays in remembrance or recognition of certain persons. Currently, those holidays include Armistice Day, Prisoner of War Remembrance Day, Purple Heart Day, and Gulf War Illnesses Recognition Day. This bill requires the governor to annually proclaim the second week of November as "Veteran Education Awareness Week" to raise public awareness of the educational benefits to which veterans are entitled and the resources available to help veterans maximize their educational benefits.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 14.16 (9g) of the statutes is created to read:
4 14.16 (9g) VETERAN EDUCATION AWARENESS WEEK. In order to raise public
5 awareness of the educational benefits to which veterans are entitled and the
6 resources available to help veterans maximize their educational benefits, the 2nd
7 full week of November is designated "Veteran Education Awareness Week." The

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SECTION 1

1 governor shall issue annually a suitable proclamation for the observance of “Veteran
2 Education Awareness Week” encouraging all citizens to honor veterans and noting
3 any federal or state laws that provide educational opportunities to veterans.

4 (END)