



## 1997 SENATE BILL 243

June 10, 1997 - Introduced by Senators WELCH, RUDE, MOEN, CLAUSING, FITZGERALD, ROESSLER, ROSENZWEIG and ZIEN, cosponsored by Representatives MUSSER, DOBYNS, GREEN, ALBERS, FREESE, TURNER, SCHAFER, GOETSCH, LORGE, HANDRICK, ROBSON, SERATTI, HAHN, POWERS, GUNDERSON, ZUKOWSKI, NASS, KLUSMAN, RILEY, BOYLE, OWENS, PLOUFF, VRAKAS, SYKORA, KREUSER, HASENOHRL, DUFF and KREIBICH. Referred to Committee on Health, Human Services, Aging, Corrections, Veterans and Military Affairs.

- 1     **AN ACT to amend** 45.04 (2) and 45.35 (5) (e) 7. of the statutes; **relating to:**  
2             Vietnam veteran eligibility for veterans benefits.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law provides various benefits for veterans who have served in the armed forces during specified war periods or who have received certain medals evidencing service during a specific period of time. Under current law, the Vietnam war period is defined as between August 5, 1964, and January 1, 1977, for purposes of eligibility for loans under the veteran's housing loan program, for setting priorities for the loans under that program and for eligibility under the veterans trust fund stabilization loan program. The Vietnam war period is defined as between August 5, 1964, and July 1, 1975, in current law regarding the grant program for a memorial for Vietnam veterans and for veterans benefits other than those listed above, including the veterans rehabilitation program, the correspondence courses and part-time classroom study program and the veteran retraining grant program. This bill makes the dates of the Vietnam war period the same, between August 5, 1964, and January 1, 1977, for purposes of eligibility for veterans benefits.

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

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

