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#### CHAPTER 247

AN ACT to amend 45.18; and to repeal and recreate 45.16 of the statutes, relating to burial allowance for veterans and the order for such expenses including a headstone.

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

SECTION 1. 45.16 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

**45.16 BURIAL ALLOWANCE FOR VETERANS.** Each county veterans' service officer shall cause to be interred in a decent and respectable manner in any cemetery in this state, other than those used exclusively for the burial of paupers, the body of any veteran who served in any war of the United States or in the Korean conflict and who was discharged under honorable conditions therefrom after 90 days or more of active service, or if having served less than 90 days was honorably discharged for disability incurred in line of duty, and who dies not leaving sufficient means to defray the necessary expenses of a decent burial, or under financial circumstances which would distress his family to pay the expenses of such burial, at an expense to the county of not more than

\$150 in addition to the burial allowance payable under laws administered by the veterans administration.

SECTION 2. 45.18 of the statutes is amended to read:

45.18 It \* \* \* *is* the duty of the chairman of the board and the clerk of such county on the receipt of such report to draw an order on the county treasurer for the amount of expenses so incurred, payable to the person \* \* \* designated in \* \* \* *the* report as being entitled thereto. \* \* \* The county \* \* \* *veterans' service officer* of each county shall, upon the death and burial of any such \* \* \* *veteran* residing therein at the time of his death, make application to the proper authorities for a suitable headstone as provided for by act of congress, and at the expense of the county cause the same to be placed at the head of his grave.

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