

2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 504

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1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 120.13 (37) of the statutes; **relating to:** granting high school
2 diplomas to veterans.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law permits a school district to award a high school diploma to a person who is at least 65 years old, attended high school in the school district, and left high school before graduation to serve under honorable conditions during a war. This bill would permit the school district where such a veteran resides to award a high school diploma to the veteran if he or she attended high school in any Wisconsin school district.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 120.13 (37) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 120.13 (37) AWARDING HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS TO VETERANS. Notwithstanding s.
5 118.33 (1), award a high school diploma to a person who resides in the school district
6 and is at least 65 years old, attended high school in the a school district in this state,
7 left high school before receiving a high school diploma to join the U.S. armed forces

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1 during a war period under s. 45.35 (5) (e) and served on active duty under honorable
2 conditions in the U.S. armed forces or in forces incorporated as part of the U.S. armed
3 forces. A school board may award a high school diploma to a person who received a
4 high school equivalency diploma under s. 115.29 (4) after serving on active duty if the
5 person meets the other conditions of this paragraph.

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