2001 SENATE BILL 226

August 1, 2001 – Introduced by Senators Burke, Moen, Roessler, Decker, Hansen and Darling, cosponsored by Representatives Musser, Suder, Turner, Montgomery, Krawczyk, Gronemus, Hundertmark, Plouff, Ladwig, McCormick, Jeskewitz, La Fave, Townsend, Riley, Lippert, Albers, Ryba, J. Lehman, Vrakas, Starzyk, Underheim, M. Lehman and Wasserman, by request of the Council on Veterans Programs and the Vietnam Veterans of America. Referred to Committee on Health, Utilities, Veterans and Military Affairs.

- 1 AN ACT *to renumber and amend* 15.497 (2); and *to create* 15.497 (2) (d) of the
- 2 statutes; **relating to:** adding one representative of the Wisconsin chapter of the
- 3 Paralyzed Veterans of America to the council on veterans programs.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law the council on veterans programs (council) advises the board of veterans affairs and the department of veterans affairs (DVA) on solutions and policy alternatives relating to the problems of veterans. The council is attached to DVA and consists of members of various veterans organizations, all of whom are appointed for one–year terms.

This bill adds one representative of the Wisconsin chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America to the council.

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:

- **SECTION 1.** 15.497 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 15.497 (2) (intro.) and
- 5 amended to read:

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SECTION 3. Effective date.

15.497 (2) Council on Veterans Programs. (intro.) There is created in the
department of veterans affairs a council on veterans programs consisting of one <u>all</u>
of the following representatives appointed for one-year terms by the organization
that each member represents:
(a) One representative each of the state departments of the American Legion,
the Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Marine Corps
League, the Navy Club of the U.S.A., the Veterans of World War II (AMVETS), the
Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A., Inc., the American Ex-prisoners of War, the
Vietnam Veterans Against the War, Inc., the Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc., the
Catholic War Veterans of the U.S.A., the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A., the
Polish Legion of American Veterans, the National Association for Black Veterans,
Inc., the Army and Navy Union of the United States of America, the Wisconsin
Association of Concerned Veteran Organizations, the United Women Veterans, Inc.,
the U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II, the Federation of Minority Veterans,
Inc., the Wisconsin Vietnam Veterans, Inc., and the Military Order of the Purple
Heart , one .
(b) One representative of the American Red Cross and one.
(c) One representative of the Wisconsin county veterans' service officers,
appointed for one-year terms by the organization that each represents.
SECTION 2. 15.497 (2) (d) of the statutes is created to read:
15.497 (2) (d) One representative of the Wisconsin chapter of the Paralyzed
Veterans of America.

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1 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 2nd month beginning after publication.

3 (END)