2003 Assembly Bill 409

2003 WISCONSIN ACT 163

AN ACT *to create* 21.19 (14), 45.35 (14) (i), 45.35 (14m) and 45.43 (5m) of the statutes; **relating to:** duties of the adjutant general, the department of veterans affairs, and county veterans' service officers.

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

SECTION 1. 21.19 (14) of the statutes is created to read:

21.19 (14) The adjutant general shall provide the department of veterans affairs information on all necessary military points of contact and general deployment information for activated and deployed members of the national guard.

SECTION 2. 45.35 (14) (i) of the statutes is created to read:

45.35 (14) (i) To provide county veterans' service officers with the information provided to the department by the adjutant general under s. 21.19 (14).

SECTION 2m. 45.35 (14m) of the statutes is created to read:

45.35 (14m) ADDITIONAL POWERS. The department may provide county veterans' service officers with infor-

mation on all necessary military points of contact and general deployment information for reserve units of the U.S. armed forces.

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SECTION 3. 45.43 (5m) of the statutes is created to read:

45.43 (**5m**) PERMITTED ACTIVITIES. The county veterans' service officer may:

- (a) Inform persons living in the service officer's county who are members of the national guard or of a reserve unit of the U.S. armed forces or dependents of those persons regarding potential benefits to which they may be or may become entitled and regarding all necessary military points of contact and general deployment information for activated and deployed members of the national guard or reserve units of the U.S. armed forces.
- (b) Cooperate with federal and state agencies that serve or grant aids or benefits to members of the national guard or reserve units of the U.S. armed forces and their dependents.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2001–02: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].