



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2003 Assembly Bill 293

Assembly Amendment 1

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2003 Assembly Bill 293 pertains to burial of veterans and family members at cemeteries. The bill provides that a cemetery authority for a cemetery (other than one affiliated with a religious society) may not prohibit the burial of a veteran or certain family members (as defined in ch. 45, Stats.) in the cemetery if the person arranging the burial has the ability to reimburse the cemetery authority for the burial.

Rather than stating that the burial may take place if the person arranging the burial has the ability to reimburse the authority, *Assembly Amendment 1* states that the burial may take place if the cemetery authority is paid in its usual and customary manner for the burial. This language was requested by the Badger State Cemetery Association.

On May 14, 2003, the Assembly Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs adopted Assembly Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 14 and Noes, 0. The committee recommended the bill for passage, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 14 and Noes, 0.

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