

## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 916

January 17, 2006 – Introduced by Representatives SCHNEIDER, ALBERS, HEBL, KREIBICH, OWENS and MOLEPSKE, cosponsored by Senator ERPENBACH. Referred to Committee on Veterans Affairs.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.) and 38.24 (7) (a) (intro.); and *to create*  
 2             36.27 (3n) (a) 3. and 38.24 (7) (a) 3. of the statutes; **relating to:** eligibility for  
 3             tuition fee remission for family members of certain veterans.

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### ***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Current law, as created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 25 (budget act), provides the remission of tuition for certain students attending the University of Wisconsin System and technical college campuses. Under that budget act, the spouses, children, or surviving spouses of certain veterans are eligible for a full remission of tuition at the University of Wisconsin System and at the technical colleges. For the spouse, surviving spouse, or child to be eligible, the veteran must have entered service while a resident of this state and either died while on duty or incurred a service-connected disability that is rated as 30 percent or more while a resident of this state.

This bill adds fee remission eligibility to spouses, surviving spouses, or children of veterans if the veteran is a resident of this state and was a resident of this state for at least 15 continuous years before the student registers.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**ASSEMBLY BILL 916****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin  
2 Act 25, is amended to read:

3           **36.27 (3n) (a) (intro.)** In this subsection, “eligible veteran” means a person  
4 verified by the department of veterans affairs to be either any of the following:

5           **SECTION 2.** 36.27 (3n) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

6           **36.27 (3n) (a) 3.** A person who is a veteran, as defined in s. 45.01 (12), who is  
7 verified by the department of veterans affairs as being a resident of this state for  
8 purposes of receiving benefits under ch. 45, and who has been a continuous resident  
9 of this state for at least 15 years immediately preceding the beginning of any  
10 semester or session for which the spouse, surviving spouse, or child registers at an  
11 institution.

12           **SECTION 3.** 38.24 (7) (a) (intro.) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin  
13 Act 25, is amended to read:

14           **38.24 (7) (a) (intro.)** In this subsection, “eligible veteran” means a person  
15 verified by the department of veterans affairs to be either any of the following:

16           **SECTION 4.** 38.24 (7) (a) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

17           **38.24 (7) (a) 3.** A person who is a veteran, as defined in s. 45.01 (12), who is  
18 verified by the department of veterans affairs as being a resident of this state for  
19 purposes of receiving benefits under ch. 45, and who has been a continuous resident  
20 of this state for at least 15 years immediately preceding the beginning of any  
21 semester or session for which the spouse, surviving spouse, or child registers at an  
22 institution.

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**(END)**