



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Assembly Bill 108

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 1**

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Current law permits vehicles operated or occupied by certain individuals to enter state parks without displaying (or purchasing) a vehicle admission receipt. These individuals include vehicles operated by a unit of government, vehicles occupied by an adult holding a conservation patron license, vehicles occupied by a person holding a senior citizen recreation card, and vehicles operated for the transport of pupils of a public or private school.

2007 Assembly Bill 108 adds vehicles occupied by a resident who is a veteran with a 70% or greater military-related disability and vehicles occupied by a resident who was a prisoner of war to the current vehicle admission receipt exemptions. The bill also exempts vehicles occupied by a resident who is a veteran with a 70% or greater military-related disability and vehicles occupied by a resident who was a prisoner of war from paying an admission fee to enter Heritage Hill State Park or use state trails. The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is required to issue cards that identify veterans who are entitled to the exemption.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to 2007 Assembly Bill 108 amends the original bill to eliminate the requirement that DNR issue cards identifying exempt veterans and substitutes the requirement that eligible veterans must *produce evidence that shows he or she is a veteran*. The substitute amendment also eliminates such veterans' exemption for admissions fees to enter Heritage Hill State Park.

Legislative History

The substitute amendment was introduced and recommended for adoption and Assembly Bill 108 was recommended for passage, as amended, by the Assembly Committee on Tourism, Recreation and State Properties by a vote of Ayes, 9; Noes, 0, on October 11, 2007.

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