



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2009 Wisconsin Act 208
[2009 Assembly Bill 247]

**High School Diplomas for Certain
Veterans**

Current law permits a school board to award a high school diploma to a person who meets all of the following requirements:

- Is at least 65 years old.
- Attended high school in the school district or attended high school in Wisconsin and resides in the school district.
- Left high school before receiving a high school diploma to join the U.S. Armed Forces during a war period.
- Served on active duty under honorable conditions in the U.S. Armed Forces or in forces incorporated as part of the U.S. Armed Forces.

In addition, a school board may award a high school diploma to a person who meets the first three conditions, above, and who received a high school equivalency diploma after serving on active duty under honorable conditions.

Act 208 applies the above provisions to a person who is at least 55 years old and has a service-connected disability.

Effective date: Act 208 takes effect on May 6, 2010.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.