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Gallagher, Michael

From: Walsh2, Patrick
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2014 3:37 PM
To: Gallagher, Michael
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Mike, attached is the information we discussed on the phone regarding an amendment to AB 734.

Thank you.

Patrick Walsh
Office of Representative Janis Ringhand
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January 14, 2014

Chairman Petryk, Representative Ringhand and members of the Wisconsin State Assembly Committee on Veterans.

The County Veterans Service Officer Association of Wisconsin thanks you for holding the committee meeting and public hearing on the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA) proposed changes to administrative rules (November 7 and December 17, 2013).

We have been contacted by WDVA Assistant Deputy Secretary Kathy Marschman and given a copy of the final proposed changes. WDVA has positively addressed our concerns in chapter VA 6 Wisconsin Veterans homes and chapter VA 7 Grants to Veterans organizations. We are pleased to support all the changes presented in those chapters and thank the Department for those changes.

Our association still would like Assembly Committee on Veterans to consider our request to amend VA 8.04 instead of deleting it as proposed by WDVA. Our testimony on that item was.

“Recommend that the item is not deleted but changed as follows: VA 8.04 Revision of standards. No revision of minimum budget and operating standards shall be made by the department until proposed new standards have been reviewed by the County Veteran’s Service Officers’ ~~advisory council~~ Association of Wisconsin’s elected leadership or executive committee.”

As always I am available for you and your staff to discuss this or any veterans issue or proposed legislation. Please contact me on my direct office line of (715) 421-8421 or via email rlarson@co.wood.wi.us.

Sincerely,

Rock Larson
Legislative Committee Chairperson
County Veteran Service Office Association of Wisconsin

CC: WDVA

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Laura Moore, Secretary. 225 N. Beaumont Rd., Ste#137, WI 53821. Phone: (608) 326-0204, Fax (608) 326-0292

need to get out of committee by 2nd week of Feb or its dead ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~

So you can see that the CVSO's salary is not paid for by the grant. Each county funds the majority of the Veteran Service Office by property tax levy. The \$11,500 grant to Wood County was 4% of the \$301,948.00 Veteran Service Office Budget for 2013. Grants are to be used to improve services and can be used for salary supplements in accordance with Chapter VA 8 paragraph VA 8.05

8.2 Action paragraph 8.04

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The CVSO Advisory Council was established by the former WDVA Board comprised of CVSO's selected by the Board to advise them on any veteran's issue. One of those issues was the requirement in Wisconsin State Statute 45.82 (1) The department shall develop reasonable budget and operating standards to assure improved services, but full operating control of the county office shall be left to each county. VA rule 8.03 and 8.04 were established to meet this portion of 45.82(1). It is questionable that the Secretary can establish what is a reasonable budget and operating standard as required by 45.82(1) without input by knowledgeable CVSOs. The previous sentence in 45.82 (1) sets the precedent of working with the CVSO Association "The department shall prepare the basic form of this agreement in consultation with the County Veterans Service Officers Association and provide a copy and an explanation of that agreement to each County Veterans Service Officer." After 2011 Wisconsin Act 36, the Secretary disbanded the CVSO Advisory Council, it would make sense that standards required by VA 8.04 be reviewed and commented on by either the Association's elected executive committee or the elected officer leadership.

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