



State of Wisconsin
2015 - 2016 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....McElgunn, BB0333 - Transfer Veterans Grant program from DWD
to DVA

FOR 2015-2017 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; **relating to:** the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

VETERANS

Subject to certain limitations, current law requires DWD to award grants to persons who hire disabled and unemployed veterans to work at businesses in this state. This bill transfers the duty to award these grants to DVA.

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

SECTION 1. 20.445 (1) (q) of the statutes is renumbered 20.485 (2) (q) and amended to read:

20.485 (2) (q) *Veteran employment grants.* From the veterans trust fund, a A sum sufficient for the payment of veteran employment grants under s. ~~106.32~~ 45.435.

***NOTE: This SECTION involves a change in an appropriation that must be reflected in the revised schedule in s. 20.005, stats.

SECTION 2. 106.32 (title) of the statutes is renumbered 45.435 (title).

SECTION 3. 106.32 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is renumbered 45.435 (1) (intro.).

SECTION 4. 106.32 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 45.435 (1) (a) and amended to read:

45.435 (1) (a) “Disabled veteran” means a veteran who is verified by the department of ~~veterans affairs~~ to have a service-connected disability rating of at least 50 percent under [38 USC 1114](#) or [1134](#).

SECTION 5. 106.32 (1) (b) and (c) of the statutes are renumbered 45.435 (1) (b) and (c).

SECTION 6. 106.32 (1) (d) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 7. 106.32 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 45.435 (2), and 45.435 (2) (a) (intro.), as renumbered, is amended to read:

45.435 (2) (a) (intro.) ~~Beginning on July 2, 2013, from~~ From the appropriation account under s. ~~20.445 (1)~~ 20.485 (2) (q), the department shall award a grant in any of the following amounts to any person who hires a disabled veteran to work at a business in this state:

SECTION 8. 106.32 (3) of the statutes is renumbered 45.435 (3), and 45.435 (3) (b), as renumbered, is amended to read:

45.435 (3) (b) The department shall pay a grant under this section only for hiring a disabled veteran who has received unemployment ~~compensation~~ insurance benefits for at least one week prior to being hired by the applicant, who was receiving such benefits at the time that he or she was hired by the applicant, and who was eligible to receive such benefits at the time the benefits were paid.

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