AN ACT to amend 20.485 (2) (tf); and to create 45.46 of the statutes; relating to: a nonprofit organization grant program administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill creates a grant program administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA). Under the bill, DVA may make up to a total of $250,000 in grants to nonprofit organizations that provide financial assistance or other services to veterans and their families. A nonprofit organization may receive up to $25,000 in grants under this program.

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

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

SECTION 1. 20.485 (2) (tf) of the statutes, as affected by 2013 Wisconsin Act 190, is amended to read:

20.485 (2) (tf) Veterans tuition reimbursement program; grants to nonprofit organizations that serve veterans and their families. Biennially, the amounts in the
schedule for the veterans tuition reimbursement program under s. 45.20 (2) and for
grants to nonprofit organizations under s. 45.46. Notwithstanding s. 20.001 (3) (a),
the department may encumber moneys under this appropriation for the biennium
up to 60 days after the end of that biennium if an estimate is first submitted to the
department of administration showing the amounts that will be encumbered during
that 60-day period.

SECTION 2. 45.46 of the statutes is created to read:

45.46 Grants to nonprofit organizations that serve veterans and their
families. From the appropriation under s. 20.485 (2) (tf), the department may make
grants of up to a total of $250,000 to nonprofit organizations, as defined in s. 108.02
(19), and no more than $25,000 to each grant recipient to provide financial assistance
or other services to veterans and their dependents.

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