



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2017 Wisconsin Act 175
[2017 Senate Bill 473]

Missing Veterans at Risk

2017 Wisconsin Act 175 requires the Department of Justice to allow law enforcement agencies to use its crime alert network to disseminate to broadcasters and outdoor advertisers reports of missing veterans at risk. A law enforcement agency that receives a report of a missing veteran at risk within 72 hours of the individual's disappearance must disseminate the report as quickly as practically possible if it determines that all of the following apply:

- There is reason to believe that the veteran at risk is missing due to his or her physical or mental health condition.
- There is sufficient information available to disseminate that could assist in locating the missing veteran.

For purposes of the Act, a "veteran at risk" is a veteran or an active-duty member of the armed forces, the national guard, or the military reserve forces of the United States who is known, based on the information provided by the person making the report, to have a physical or mental health condition that is related to his or her service.

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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.wisconsin.gov>.