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# Wisconsin Legislative Council

## AMENDMENT MEMO

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**2023 Senate Bill 251**

**Senate  
Amendment 1**

### 2023 SENATE BILL 251

The Council on Veterans Programs advises the Board of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Veterans Affairs on solutions and policy alternatives relating to the problems of veterans. The council is comprised of members who represent various organizations.

2023 Senate Bill 251 removes from the council's membership members of seven organizations that are currently inactive, and adds to the council's membership both of the following:

- A veteran services coordinator who is employed at a technical college in this state and who is popularly selected by other technical college veteran services coordinators in this state.
- A veteran services coordinator who is employed at a University of Wisconsin System (UWS) institution and who is popularly selected by other UWS institution veteran services coordinators.

### SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 adds to the council's membership a veteran services coordinator who is employed at a college or university that is a member of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities (WAICU) and who is selected by the president of WAICU or his or her designee. The amendment also changes the length of council members' terms from one year to three years and provides that the three-year terms must be staggered.

### BILL HISTORY

Senator Quinn offered Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 251 on August 21, 2023. On September 5, 2023, the Senate Committee on Labor, Regulatory Reform, Veterans and Military Affairs voted unanimously to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 251, as amended.

For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's [bill history page](#).

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