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AMENDMENT MEMO



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Assembly Bill 27 expands the definition of “veteran” to include a person who was naturalized pursuant to the federal Hmong Veterans’ Naturalization Act of 2000.

The bill extends most state veterans benefits to anyone who meets this newly expanded definition of veteran, including eligibility for the Wisconsin G.I. Bill benefits and waiver of certain occupational licenses fees. However, the bill excludes such persons from admission to a state veterans home or burial in a state veterans cemetery.

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Assembly Amendment 1 adds a provision to the bill that allows a person who was naturalized pursuant to the Hmong Veterans’ Naturalization Act of 2000 to be buried in a Wisconsin veterans cemetery if that person also meets certain eligibility requirements for burial in a national veterans cemetery.

BILL HISTORY

Representative Murphy offered Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 27 on June 9, 2025. On June 12, 2025, the Assembly Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs voted to recommend adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, both on votes of Ayes, 11; Noes, 0.

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

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