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CHAPTER 381

AN ACT to create 20.840 (84) and 45.351 of the statutes, relating to reimbursing in part certain veterans organizations for moneys expended in maintaining a Wisconsin service office, making an appropriation and granting rule-making authority.

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

SECTION 1. 20.840 (84) of the statutes is created to read:

20.840 (84) GRANTS TO VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS. From the veterans trust fund a sum sufficient for the purposes of s. 45.351.

SECTION 2. 45.351 of the statutes is created to read:

45.351 GRANTS TO VETERANS ORGANIZATIONS. (1) Upon application of any nationally accredited veterans organization which has maintained a full-time service office at the veterans administration regional office in Wisconsin for at least 5 years preceding the date of application, and upon satisfactory proof to the board by the organization of its expenditures, the board shall pay to such organization a sum equal to 25 per cent of all moneys paid during the previous year by such organization to employes maintained at such regional office. The sum paid to each such organization shall be not less than \$2,500 nor more than \$7,500.

(2) Claims by each such organization shall be filed annually with the department and shall include a statement of revenues and expenditures and the number of veterans' claims processed during the year for veterans by such organization. A sworn statement by an accountant certified under ch. 135 as to the accuracy of the organization's claim shall accompany such

claim.

(3) The board may establish such rules as are necessary to administer this section.

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