

State of Misconsin 2013 - 2014 LEGISLATURE



DOA:.....Lawrence, BB0425 - Board approval of veterans memorials

FOR 2013-2015 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau VETERANS

Under current law, the Board of Veterans Affairs (board) may approve or veto plans or modifications for established state veterans memorials and make recommendations for future memorials. This bill restricts the board's authority only to proposals for plans or modifications of memorials for which DVA has estimated that the costs will exceed \$25,000.

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. 45.70 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 45.70 (1m).

Section 2. 45.70 (1b) (title) of the statutes is created to read:

45.70 (1b) (title) Establishment and modifications of memorials.

Section 3. 45.70 (1b) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

45.70 (**1b**) (b) The board may act under par. (a) only if the department estimates that the cost of implementing the proposal for an established or future state memorial will exceed \$25,000.

SECTION 4. 45.70 (2) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 45.70 (1b) (a) and amended to read:

45.70 (1b) (a) The board may approve, recommend, and veto any proposed plans, modifications, and changes or policies with respect to established state memorials, including the Camp Randall Memorial Park, Madison, Wisconsin, as described in par. (c), and any future veterans state memorials, and <u>may</u> recommend the creation and establishment of <u>future</u> veterans state memorials.

Section 5. 45.70 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

45.70 (2) (b) No structures, other than memorials approved by the board, and no walks, roads, or subterranean footings may be placed or erected upon Camp Randall Memorial Park, Madison, Wisconsin, as described in par. (c), unless authorized by the legislature; nor shall the park be used for any purpose other than a memorial park.

Section 9349. Initial applicability; Veterans Affairs.

(1) Memorials. The treatment of section 45.70 (1), (1b) (title) and (b) and (2) (a) and (b) of the statutes first applies to proposals that are presented to the board of veterans affairs of the effective date of this subsection.

(END)