

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Assembly Bill 382	Assembly Substitute Amendment 1
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2005 Assembly Bill 382 relates to the display of prisoner of war/missing in action (POW/MIA) flags at certain Department of Transportation (DOT) rest areas.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

Under **current law**, the DOT may construct and maintain rest areas along state trunk highways, including interstate highways.

This **substitute amendment** requires DOT to display a POW/MIA flag on an outdoor flagpole at each DOT rest area along an interstate highway if the rest area has at least two outdoor flagpoles. If a rest area has fewer than two outdoor flagpoles, DOT may display a POW/MIA flag at a suitable location indoors or, if DOT determines after consultation with at least two of the state's veterans organizations that there is no suitable location indoors, DOT may display indoors a poster or literature or both relating to the POW/MIA flag. DOT must display these flags or posters or literature only if DOT receives sufficient contributions from interested parties to cover the costs of displaying the flags or posters or literature. If a rest area has fewer than two outdoor flagpoles, DOT must include additional flagpoles in any facilities improvement project at the rest area commenced after the effective date of the substitute amendment so that the rest area has at least two outdoor flagpoles.

<u>Legislative History</u>

On September 8, 2005, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended for adoption Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

The Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 13; Noes, 0.

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