

State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

PRELIMINARY DRAFT - NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

1 AN ACT *to amend* 45.03 (13) (f) 2. of the statutes; **relating to:** mental health 2 services for post-traumatic stress disorder (suggested as remedial legislation 3 by the Department of Veterans Affairs).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill clarifies that the Department of Veterans Affairs must provide information on the availability of and referrals for medical or mental health services for post-traumatic stress disorder.

For further information, see the NOTES provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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

LAW REVISION COMMITTEE PREFATORY NOTE: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Veterans Affairs and introduced by the Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4. and 5., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

4 **SECTION 1.** 45.03 (13) (f) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:

- 5 45.03 (13) (f) 2. Information on the availability of post-traumatic stress
- 6 disorder medical <u>or mental health</u> services and referrals to those services.

NOTE: Under current law, the Department of Veterans Affairs must provide certain services related to post-traumatic stress disorder to service members and veterans. To fulfill this requirement, the department may provide information on the availability of medical services and referrals. SECTION 1 specifies that, if the department provides this information, it must also include information on the availability of mental health services and referrals.

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