



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2013 Senate Bill 45**

**Senate  
Amendments 1 and 2**

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*2013 Senate Bill 45* allows veterans applying for a motor vehicle operator's license or identification card to have his or her veteran status indicated on the license or card. A person who wishes to have his or her veteran status on the license or card must provide verification from the Department of Veterans Affairs that he or she is a veteran.

The bill also authorizes the Department of Transportation (DOT) to promulgate rules establishing veteran disability rating codes to assist in identifying persons eligible for benefits programs. Under the bill, DOT may require, by rule, that a license document or identification card that contains a veteran indication include a veteran disability rating.

*Senate Amendment 1* authorizes a person applying for an operator's license or identification card to provide verification of his or her veteran status from either the Department of Veterans Affairs or a county veterans service officer.

*Senate Amendment 2* removes the provisions of the bill authorizing DOT to promulgate rules establishing veteran disability rating codes and requiring that a license or identification card that indicates veteran status include a veteran disability rating code.

### **Legislative History**

Senator Leibham offered Senate Amendments 1 and 2 on March 27, 2003. On April 11, 2013, the Senate Committee on Transportation, Public Safety, and Veterans and Military Affairs unanimously recommended adoption of Amendments 1 and 2, and then unanimously recommended passage of the bill, as amended.

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