

State of Misconsin 2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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2021 ASSEMBLY BILL 724

December 2, 2021 – Introduced by Representatives VANDERMEER, MAGNAFICI, ALLEN, BRANDTJEN, CABRAL-GUEVARA, DITTRICH, KNODL, MOSES, MURSAU, SORTWELL, THIESFELDT, WICHGERS and TUSLER, cosponsored by Senators NASS and BALLWEG. Referred to Committee on Labor and Integrated Employment.

1	AN ACT to renumber 230.03 (14); to amend 230.16 (7m) (a) 3.; and to create
2	230.03 (14) (bm) of the statutes; relating to: defining veteran in state
3	employment relations.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current state employment relations law, "veteran" is defined to mean categories of persons who have served in the U.S. armed forces in various capacities. This bill expands the definition of veteran to include a person who would otherwise qualify under the existing law, but who was discharged under other than honorable conditions solely on the basis that the person chose not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1.** 230.03 (14) of the statutes is renumbered 230.03 (14) (am).
- 5 SECTION 2. 230.03 (14) (bm) of the statutes is created to read:
- 6 230.03 (14) (bm) "Veteran" includes a person who satisfies par. (am) but who
- 7 was discharged under other than honorable conditions solely on the basis that the
- 8 person chose not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine.

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1 SECTION 3	230.16 (7m) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended	l to read:
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- 2 230.16 (7m) (a) 3. Was honorably discharged from the U.S. armed forces, or was
- 3 <u>discharged under other than honorable conditions solely on the basis that the person</u>
- 4 <u>chose not to receive the COVID-19 vaccine</u>.
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