## Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

"Collector" registration is available for a motor vehicle that has not been altered or modified from original manufacturer specifications, and is 20 or more years old. Collector registration is non-expiring, has a special low fee, and allows operation on public roadways at any time except the month of January. Currently, there are about 117,000 vehicles registered with collector registration.

AB 427 allows a vehicle registered with a collector plate to display a "historical" plate that represents the vehicle's model year – a Wisconsin license plate that was issued by DOT at the time the vehicle was manufactured. The current collector plate issued for that vehicle must be carried in the vehicle and must be available for inspection. Also, the historical plate must not duplicate a plate number of any vehicle currently registered.

The vehicle owner must notify DMV of the historical plate number at least 10 days before displaying the plate. DMV must store the historical plate number in the vehicle's record, with a link to the current collector plate number for that vehicle.

The bill specifies that this authorization is dependent on DOT receiving contributions of at least \$40,900 by June 30, 2005, to fund DOT's implementation costs. DOT would have 6 months to complete development work, before the authorization is effective.

#### TOTAL ONE-TIME COST TO DMV \$40,900.

Data processing development work is estimated to be \$31,300, which represents 40 staff days work to program changes to DMV's vehicle registration system. Currently, DOT must pay \$782 per day for contract programmers (\$560 per day for personnel cost and \$222 per day for computer time). System changes include creating a "dummy" plate type for the historical plate and making sure the plate type does not inadvertently act like a real plate type which would be selected for renewal, issued a certificate of registration, etc. Also, programming must be done to link the historical plate with the vehicle record and the collector plate number, and to change the inquiry system to allow look-up of the historical plate and true collector registration

In addition, \$9,600 in LTE salaries and fringe benefits is required, to process plate applications as soon as the statutory provision is effective. In the first year, many current collectors — perhaps 5% of the total current registrations or 5,900 — will want to display historical plates. DMV processing would require staff time similar to a title transaction, representing 806 added staff hours.

Implementation cost cannot be absorbed within current DMV appropriation.

However, AB 427 provides that implementation costs be covered by contributions made for this specific purpose, to DOT's "gifts and grants" appropriation 20.395(4)(ch). The bill also provides that development work shall be funded only from this appropriation by those contributions. The bill requires that, once DOT has received at least \$40,900 in contributions, DOT must begin development work to implement the historical plate authorization. If DOT does not receive at least \$40,900 by June 30, 2005, DOT may not begin development work to implement historical plate authorization and must return all contributions to the contributors.

Ongoing annual costs to process applications for historical plate display may be absorbed within DMV's budget. Once initial demand for historical plates has been processed, it is estimated that about 300 transactions annually will occur, which would require about 41 hours processing time annually, an amount that can be absorbed within DMV's budget.

No revenue impact, either one-time or ongoing, results from AB 427.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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