



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2005 Wisconsin Act 143
[2005 Assembly Bill 29]

**Registration of Volunteer Fire
Department Vehicles**

Current law authorizes the owner of a qualified motor vehicle to register the vehicle for five years for a \$5 fee. Qualified vehicles are specified by statute and include fire trucks owned and operated exclusively by incorporated volunteer fire departments and motor vehicles owned and operated by volunteer nonprofit organizations used exclusively for rescue work.

2005 Wisconsin Act 143 provides that a trailer owned and operated **exclusively** by an incorporated volunteer fire department is also eligible for this \$5, five-year registration. The Act provides a one-time appropriation of \$11,900 from the transportation fund to the Department of Motor Vehicles to cover the costs for computer modification and data processing associated with the change in registration procedure for vehicles registered under the Act.

Effective Date: Act 143 takes effect on April 1, 2006. The Act first applies to applications for motor vehicle registration submitted on that effective date.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.