



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 465

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 1**

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Current law allows any group or organization to apply to the Department of Transportation (DOT) for designation as an authorized special group in order to obtain special distinguishing registration plates for certain vehicles.

2009 Assembly Bill 465 establishes an authorized special group for persons interested in obtaining special plates supporting the Lions Clubs of Wisconsin. In addition to the regular vehicle registration fee, special group members are required to pay a \$15 fee for issuance or reissuance of the special plates and a \$25 annual fee that provides funds to the Wisconsin Lions Foundation, Inc. Assembly Bill 465 requires the special plates to display a logo or image of the lion associated with the Lions Club International and for the DOT to enter into an agreement regarding use of the fees and logo.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 retains the authorizing language and the fee provisions of Assembly Bill 465. The substitute amendment removes the agreement provisions and only allows DOT to issue these special plates after it has obtained authority to use any applicable trade mark or service mark associated with the Lions Clubs on the special plates.

Legislative History

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 465 was offered by Representative Cullen on December 2, 2009. On January 21, 2010, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 for adoption by a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0. Assembly Bill 465, as amended, was recommended for passage on a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 0.

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