



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Assembly Bill 517	Assembly Amendment 1
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2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 517

Assembly Bill 517 requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to request certain information on an application for a license or identification card issued by DOT. Specifically, the application must ask whether the applicant wishes to indicate that he or she has a disability that may not be immediately apparent to another (an “invisible disability”), and it must allow the applicant to provide certain additional information about the invisible disability, as specified in the bill.

The bill also requires DOT to take certain actions in connection with a request for application information from a law enforcement officer or other appropriate person. In that case, DOT must advise the requestor as to whether the subject is recorded as having indicated an invisible disability, along with any information provided about it on the application.

ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 1

Assembly Amendment 1 retains the procedure under the bill, allowing a person to disclose an invisible disability on an application for a license or identification card issued by DOT. The amendment also creates a similar procedure applicable to vehicle registrations.

Under the amendment, an application for registration of a motor vehicle must ask whether the applicant wishes to indicate that he or she has an invisible disability, and it must allow the applicant to provide certain additional information about it, as specified in the amendment. In the event of a request for application information from a law enforcement officer or other appropriate person, DOT must advise the requestor as to whether the subject is recorded as having indicated an invisible disability, along with any information provided about it on the application.

The amendment also provides that, upon the request of any person, DOT must remove any information related to him or her in its records related to an invisible disability disclosed on an application for a license, identification card, or vehicle registration.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 517 was recommended for adoption by the Assembly Committee on Mental Health by a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 0, on November 7, 2017. The bill, as amended, was recommended for passage by the committee by a vote of Ayes, 11; Noes, 0, on the same date.

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