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2001 SENATE BILL 366

January 8, 2002 - Introduced by Senators HANSEN and COWLES, cosponsored by Representatives MILLER and BOYLE. Referred to Committee on Insurance, Tourism, and Transportation.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 20.395 (1) (gs); *to amend* 27.01 (7) (f) 1., 27.01 (7) (f) 2., 27.01
2 (7) (f) 3., 27.01 (7) (f) 4., 27.01 (7) (gm) 3., 27.01 (7) (gm) 4., 100.51 (5) (b) 1.,
3 121.53 (4), 134.695 (2) (c), 167.31 (4) (cg) 5., 341.09 (1) (a), 341.09 (2) (a), 341.09
4 (2) (d), 341.09 (9), 341.11 (4), 341.12 (1), 341.12 (2), 341.13 (2), 341.135 (2) (a)
5 1., 341.135 (2) (a) 2., 341.135 (2) (am), 341.135 (2) (e), 341.14 (1), 341.14 (1a),
6 341.14 (1m), 341.14 (1q), 341.14 (2), 341.14 (2m), 341.14 (5), 341.14 (6) (c),
7 341.14 (6) (d), 341.14 (6m) (a), 341.14 (6m) (b), 341.14 (6r) (b) 1., 341.14 (6r) (b)
8 2., 341.14 (6r) (g), 341.14 (7), 341.145 (1g) (a), 341.145 (1g) (b), 341.145 (1g) (c),
9 341.145 (1g) (d), 341.145 (1r), 341.145 (2) (intro.), 341.145 (3), 341.145 (8),
10 341.15 (1) (intro.), 341.15 (1) (b), 341.15 (2), 341.16 (1) (a), 341.16 (1) (b), 341.16
11 (2), 341.16 (2m), 341.16 (3), 341.16 (4), 341.265 (1), 341.265 (1m), 341.266 (2)
12 (a), 341.266 (2) (c), 341.266 (2) (d), 341.266 (2) (e) 3., 341.266 (3), 341.268 (2) (a)
13 (intro.), 341.268 (2) (c), 341.268 (2) (d), 341.268 (2) (e) 3., 341.268 (3), 341.27 (3)
14 (a), 341.27 (3) (b), 341.28 (2) (intro.), 341.28 (2) (a), 341.28 (2) (b), 341.28 (3),

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1 341.28 (4) (intro.), 341.29 (2), 341.295 (3) (a), 341.295 (3) (b), 341.31 (1) (b) 5.,
2 341.31 (4) (b), 341.31 (4) (c), 341.32 (1), 341.33 (2), 341.33 (3), 341.335 (1), 341.41
3 (8) (a), 341.47 (1) (intro.), 341.47 (3), 341.51 (2), 341.53, 341.625 (1), 341.63 (3),
4 342.05 (5), 342.15 (4) (a), 342.15 (4) (b), 342.15 (4) (c), 342.34 (1) (c), 342.34 (2)
5 (c), 343.51 (1), 344.45 (1), 344.55 (2), 346.50 (2), 346.50 (2a) (intro.), 346.50 (2a)
6 (a), 346.50 (2a) (b), 346.50 (2a) (c), 346.50 (2a) (d), 346.50 (2a) (e), 346.50 (2a)
7 (f), 346.50 (2a) (g), 346.50 (3), 346.503 (1), 346.505 (2) (a), 346.505 (2) (b),
8 346.505 (2) (c), 349.13 (1m) and 885.237 (2); and **to create** 20.395 (1) (gs), 85.57,
9 110.08 (5) and 341.15 (1g) of the statutes; **relating to:** a single registration
10 plate for motor vehicles, local examining centers, grants to Brown County and
11 municipalities, transfers from the transportation fund to the general fund, and
12 making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of transportation (DOT) issues two registration plates for most motor vehicles. The owner of the motor vehicle is required to display one plate on the front of the vehicle and one plate on the rear of the vehicle. This bill directs DOT to issue only one registration plate for each motor vehicle. With limited exceptions, the registration plate must be displayed on the rear of the motor vehicle.

Under current law, DOT employs operator's license examiners at local examining centers to perform duties that are related to license examining. This bill prohibits DOT from closing any local examining center and requires DOT to reopen (and not to close in the future) any previously closed local examining center that was in operation on July 1, 2001.

The bill also requires DOT to award grants totaling \$500,000 in January 2003 to Brown County, the city of Green Bay, and the village of Ashwaubenon on a proportionate basis for the costs of the CTH "VK"/Lombardi Avenue project in the city of Green Bay.

Finally, the bill requires the secretary of administration to transfer from the transportation fund to the general fund an amount in each fiscal year equal to the savings realized in the change to a single registration plate for motor vehicles. In fiscal year 2002-03, the amount to be transferred is reduced by the sum of \$500,000

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1 27.01 (7) (f) 2. Except as provided in subds. 3. and 4. and par. (gm) 4., the fee
2 for a daily vehicle admission receipt is \$4.85 for any vehicle which has a Wisconsin
3 registration ~~plates~~ plate.

4 **SECTION 6.** 27.01 (7) (f) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

5 27.01 (7) (f) 3. The fee for a daily vehicle admission receipt for a motor bus that
6 has a Wisconsin registration ~~plates~~ plate is \$9.85.

7 **SECTION 7.** 27.01 (7) (f) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

8 27.01 (7) (f) 4. Notwithstanding subd. 3., the fee for a daily vehicle admission
9 receipt for a motor bus which primarily transports residents from nursing homes
10 located in this state is \$3.35, for any motor bus which has a Wisconsin registration
11 ~~plates~~ plate.

12 **SECTION 8.** 27.01 (7) (gm) 3. of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
13 16, is amended to read:

14 27.01 (7) (gm) 3. Notwithstanding par. (f) 1., the fee for an annual vehicle
15 admission receipt for a vehicle that has a Wisconsin registration ~~plates~~ plate and that
16 is owned by a resident senior citizen, as defined in s. 29.001 (72), is \$9.50.

17 **SECTION 9.** 27.01 (7) (gm) 4. of the statutes is amended to read:

18 27.01 (7) (gm) 4. Notwithstanding par. (f) 2., the fee for a daily vehicle
19 admission receipt for a vehicle that has a Wisconsin registration ~~plates~~ plate and that
20 is owned by a resident senior citizen, as defined in s. 29.001 (72), is \$2.85.

21 **SECTION 10.** 85.57 of the statutes is created to read:

22 **85.57 Transfers from transportation fund to general fund.** In fiscal year
23 2003-04, and in each fiscal year thereafter, the secretary of administration shall
24 transfer from the transportation fund to the general fund an amount equal to the
25 savings realized in that fiscal year by the department as a result of issuing a single

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1 registration plate for motor vehicles under s. 341.12 (1) instead of 2 registration
2 plates.

3 **SECTION 11.** 100.51 (5) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

4 100.51 (5) (b) 1. The motor vehicle displays a special registration ~~plates~~ plate
5 issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a special identification card
6 issued under s. 343.51 or is a motor vehicle registered in another jurisdiction and
7 displays a registration plate, card or emblem issued by the other jurisdiction that
8 designates that the vehicle is used by a physically disabled person.

9 **SECTION 12.** 110.08 (5) of the statutes is created to read:

10 110.08 (5) After the effective date of this subsection [revisor inserts date],
11 the department may not close any local examining center and, as soon as possible,
12 shall reopen any previously closed local examining center that was in operation on
13 July 1, 2001. Any local examining center reopened under this subsection may not
14 be closed by the department.

15 **SECTION 13.** 121.53 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 121.53 (4) Every school board shall require that there be filed with it and with
17 the department of transportation a certificate of insurance showing that an
18 insurance policy has been procured and is in effect which covers the owner and
19 operator of the school bus and the school board or shall procure an insurance policy
20 and file such certificate with the department of transportation. Unless such
21 certificate is on file with the department of transportation, no registration ~~plates~~
22 plate for a school bus may be issued by the department of transportation. No such
23 policy may be terminated prior to its expiration or canceled for any reason, unless
24 a notice thereof is filed with the department of transportation and with the school
25 board by the insurer at least 10 days prior to the date of termination or cancellation.

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1 The department of transportation shall revoke the registration of a school bus on
2 which the policy has been terminated or canceled, effective on the date of termination
3 or cancellation.

4 **SECTION 14.** 134.695 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 134.695 (2) (c) The registration plate ~~numbers~~ number and the color, make,
6 model and year of any motor vehicle delivering the used home furnishings to the
7 antique dealer or recycler.

8 **SECTION 15.** 167.31 (4) (cg) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

9 167.31 (4) (cg) 5. The vehicle bears a special registration ~~plates~~ plate issued
10 under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m) or (1r) or displays a sign that is at least 11 inches
11 square on which is conspicuously written "disabled hunter".

12 **SECTION 16.** 341.09 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.09 (1) (a) The department shall issue temporary operation plates as
14 provided under subs. (2), (2m) and (9) and may issue a temporary operation permit
15 or plate for an unregistered vehicle as otherwise provided under this section. Except
16 as provided in par. (b), the permits or ~~plates~~ plate shall contain the date of expiration
17 and sufficient information to identify the vehicle for which and the person to whom
18 it is issued. The department may place the information identifying the vehicle and
19 the person to whom the permit or plate is issued on a separate form. Except as
20 provided in subs. (3) to (5), a temporary operation plate issued under this section is
21 valid for a period of 90 days or until the applicant receives the regular registration
22 ~~plates~~ plate, whichever occurs first.

23 **SECTION 17.** 341.09 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 341.09 (2) (a) Upon request therefor by a person who has made a verifiable
25 application for registration and paid the registration fee, the department shall issue

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1 a temporary operation permit or plate if it appears that the person would otherwise
2 be unable to lawfully operate the vehicle pending receipt of the registration ~~plates~~
3 plate.

4 **SECTION 18.** 341.09 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.09 (2) (d) The department may issue ~~a temporary operation plates~~ plate
6 for use on any vehicle except buses, for-hire vehicles and vehicles which are subject
7 to registration under the international registration plan if the state is a party to such
8 plan or vehicles which are subject to registration under s. 341.41 (9). The department
9 shall determine the size, color, design, form and specifications of the plate. The
10 department shall charge a fee of \$3 for each temporary operation plate issued under
11 this subsection.

12 **SECTION 19.** 341.09 (9) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.09 (9) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, the department
14 shall issue a temporary operation plate without charge for an automobile or motor
15 truck having a registered weight of 8,000 pounds or less upon receipt of a complete
16 application accompanied by the required fee for registration of the vehicle, including
17 evidence of any inspection under s. 110.20 when required, if the department does not
18 immediately issue the regular registration ~~plates~~ plate for the vehicle and the
19 department determines that the applicant has not otherwise been issued a
20 temporary operation plate under this section.

21 **SECTION 20.** 341.11 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 341.11 (4) In the case of a vehicle registered on the basis of gross weight for
23 which ~~a special registration plates have~~ plate has been issued under s. 341.14 (2), (6),
24 (6m) or (6r) or for which ~~a personalized registration plates have~~ plate has been issued
25 under s. 341.145, or any motor bus, motor home, dual purpose motor home, motor

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1 truck, truck tractor or road tractor, the certificate of registration shall be displayed
2 in a prominent place in the driver's compartment of the vehicle to which the
3 certificate refers. Any person who operates and any person in whose name the
4 vehicle is registered who consents to the operation of any such vehicle without the
5 certificate of registration being so displayed may be required to forfeit not more than
6 \$200.

7 **SECTION 21.** 341.12 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 341.12 (1) The department upon registering a vehicle pursuant to s. 341.25 or
9 341.30 shall issue and deliver prepaid to the applicant ~~2 registration plates for an~~
10 ~~automobile, motor truck, motor bus, school bus, self-propelled recreational vehicle~~
11 ~~or dual purpose motor home and one plate for other vehicles. The department upon~~
12 ~~registering a vehicle pursuant to any other section shall issue one plate unless the~~
13 ~~department determines that 2 plates will better serve the interests of law~~
14 ~~enforcement~~ one registration plate.

15 **SECTION 22.** 341.12 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 341.12 (2) The department shall purchase plates from the Waupun
17 Correctional Institution unless otherwise approved by the governor. Subject to any
18 specific requirements which may be imposed by statute, the department shall
19 determine the size, color and design of any registration plates plate with a view
20 toward making ~~them~~ the plate visible evidence of the period for which the vehicle is
21 registered and the fee class into which the vehicle falls as well as making ~~them~~ the
22 plate a ready means of identifying the specific vehicle or owner for which the ~~plates~~
23 ~~were~~ plate was issued.

24 **SECTION 23.** 341.13 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.13 (2) In addition to the matter specified in s. 341.12 (3), the registration
2 plates plate for a vehicle registered on the basis of gross weight except a motor truck
3 registered under s. 341.14 (6m) or 341.145 (1) (b), a dual purpose motor home, or a
4 motor home, motor truck, farm truck or dual purpose farm truck registered under
5 s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1m), (1q), (1r) (a), (2) or (6r) or 341.145 (1) (a), (c), (d) or (e) or a
6 motor truck or dual purpose farm truck registered under s. 341.14 (6) shall indicate
7 the weight class into which the vehicle falls in a manner prescribed by the
8 department. The gross weight which determines the registration fee for a motor
9 truck registered under s. 341.14 (6m) or 341.145 (1) (b), a dual purpose motor home,
10 or a motor home, motor truck, farm truck or dual purpose farm truck registered
11 under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1m), (1q), (1r) (a), (2) or (6r) or 341.145 (1) (a), (c), (d) or (e)
12 or a motor truck or dual purpose farm truck registered under s. 341.14 (6) shall be
13 shown on its certificate of registration.

14 **SECTION 24.** 341.135 (2) (a) 1. of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
15 16, is amended to read:

16 341.135 (2) (a) 1. Beginning with registrations initially effective on
17 July 1, 2000, upon receipt of a completed application to initially register a vehicle
18 under s. 341.14 (1a), (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), or (6r), except s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 53.,
19 54., or 55., or s. 341.25 (1) (a), (c), (h), or (j) or (2) (a), (b), or (c) or 341.26 (2) or (3) (a)
20 1. or (am), the department shall issue and deliver prepaid to the applicant 2 one new
21 registration plates plate of the design established under sub. (1).

22 **SECTION 25.** 341.135 (2) (a) 2. of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
23 16, is amended to read:

24 341.135 (2) (a) 2. Notwithstanding s. 341.13 (3), beginning with registrations
25 initially effective on July 1, 2007, upon receipt of a completed application to initially

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1 register a vehicle under s. 341.14 (1a), (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), or (6r), or s. 341.25
2 (1) (a), (c), (h), or (j) or (2) (a), (b), or (c) or 341.26 (2) or (3) (a) 1. or (am), or to renew
3 the registration of a vehicle under those sections for which a registration plate has
4 not been issued during the previous 7 years, the department shall issue and deliver
5 prepaid to the applicant ~~2 one new registration plates~~ plate of the design established
6 for that 7-year period under sub. (1).

7 **SECTION 26.** 341.135 (2) (am) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
8 16, is amended to read:

9 341.135 (2) (am) Notwithstanding s. 341.13 (3) and (3m), beginning with
10 registrations initially effective on July 1, 2000, upon receipt of a completed
11 application to renew the registration of a vehicle registered under s. 341.14 (1a),
12 (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), or (6r), except s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 53., 54., or 55., or s. 341.25
13 (1) (a), (c), (h), or (j) or (2) (a), (b), or (c) for which a registration plate of the design
14 established under sub. (1) has not been issued, the department may issue and deliver
15 prepaid to the applicant ~~2 one new registration plates~~ of the design established under
16 sub. (1). This paragraph does not apply to registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under s.
17 341.14 (6r) (f) 52., 1997 stats. This paragraph does not apply after June 30, 2007.

18 **SECTION 27.** 341.135 (2) (e) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
19 16, is amended to read:

20 341.135 (2) (e) The department shall issue a new registration plates plate of
21 the design established under sub. (1) for every vehicle registered under s. 341.14 (1a),
22 (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), or (6r), 341.25 (1) (a), (c), (h), or (j) or (2) (a), (b), or (c), or
23 341.26 (2) or (3) (a) 1. or (am) after July 1, 2007.

24 **SECTION 28.** 341.14 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.14 (1) If any resident of this state who is registering or has registered an
2 automobile, or a motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck
3 which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds, a farm truck which has a
4 gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds or a motor home submits a statement
5 once every 4 years, as determined by the department, from the U.S. department of
6 veterans affairs certifying to the department that the resident is, by reason of
7 injuries sustained while in the active U.S. military service, a person with a disability
8 that limits or impairs the ability to walk, the department shall procure, issue and
9 deliver to the veteran, ~~plates~~ a plate of a special design in lieu of the ~~plates~~ plate
10 which ordinarily would be issued for the vehicle, and shall renew the ~~plates~~ plate.
11 The ~~plates~~ plate shall have a light blue background except for a white border not to
12 exceed one inch at top and bottom, and blue lettering, except that the word "VET"
13 and the identifying number shown on the plates shall be colored red. The ~~plates~~ plate
14 shall be so designed as to readily apprise law enforcement officers of the fact that the
15 vehicle is owned by a disabled veteran and is entitled to the parking privileges
16 specified in s. 346.50 (2). No charge in addition to the registration fee shall be made
17 for the issuance or renewal of such ~~plates~~ the plate.

18 **SECTION 29.** 341.14 (1a) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 341.14 (1a) If any resident of this state, who is registering or has registered an
20 automobile, or a motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck
21 which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds, a farm truck which has a
22 gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds or a motor home, submits a statement
23 once every 4 years, as determined by the department, from a physician licensed to
24 practice medicine in any state, from an advanced practice nurse licensed to practice
25 nursing in any state, from a physician assistant licensed or certified to practice in any

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1 state, from a chiropractor licensed to practice chiropractic in any state or from a
2 Christian Science practitioner residing in this state and listed in the Christian
3 Science journal certifying to the department that the resident is a person with a
4 disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk, the department shall procure,
5 issue and deliver to the disabled person ~~plates~~ a plate of a special design in lieu of
6 ~~plates~~ the plate which ordinarily would be issued for the vehicle, and shall renew the
7 ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate shall be so designed as to readily apprise law
8 enforcement officers of the fact that the vehicle is owned by a nonveteran disabled
9 person and is entitled to the parking privileges specified in s. 346.50 (2a). No charge
10 in addition to the registration fee shall be made for the issuance or renewal of such
11 ~~plates~~ the plate.

12 **SECTION 30.** 341.14 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.14 **(1m)** If any licensed driver submits to the department a statement once
14 every 4 years, as determined by the department, from a physician licensed to practice
15 medicine in any state, from an advanced practice nurse licensed to practice nursing
16 in any state, from a physician assistant licensed or certified to practice in any state,
17 from a chiropractor licensed to practice chiropractic in any state or from a Christian
18 Science practitioner residing in this state and listed in the Christian Science journal
19 certifying that another person who is regularly dependent on the licensed driver for
20 transportation is a person with a disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk,
21 the department shall issue and deliver to the licensed driver ~~plates~~ a plate of a special
22 design in lieu of the ~~plates~~ plate which ordinarily would be issued for the automobile
23 or motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck having a gross
24 weight of not more than 8,000 pounds, farm truck having a gross weight of not more
25 than 12,000 pounds or motor home, and shall renew the ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate

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1 shall be so designed as to readily apprise law enforcement officers of the fact that the
2 vehicle is operated by a licensed driver on whom a disabled person is regularly
3 dependent and is entitled to the parking privileges specified in s. 346.50 (2a). No
4 charge in addition to the registration fee may be made for the issuance or renewal
5 of the ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate shall conform to the ~~plates~~ plate required in sub.
6 (1a).

7 **SECTION 31.** 341.14 (1q) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 341.14 (1q) If any employer who provides an automobile, or a motor truck, dual
9 purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck which has a gross weight of not more
10 than 8,000 pounds, a farm truck which has a gross weight of not more than 12,000
11 pounds or a motor home, for an employee's use submits to the department a
12 statement once every 4 years, as determined by the department, from a physician
13 licensed to practice medicine in any state, from an advanced practice nurse licensed
14 to practice nursing in any state, from a physician assistant licensed or certified to
15 practice in any state, from a chiropractor licensed to practice chiropractic in any state
16 or from a Christian Science practitioner residing in this state and listed in the
17 Christian Science journal certifying that the employee is a person with a disability
18 that limits or impairs the ability to walk, the department shall issue and deliver to
19 such employer ~~plates~~ plate of a special design in lieu of the ~~plates~~ plate which
20 ordinarily would be issued for the vehicle, and shall renew the ~~plates~~ plate. The
21 ~~plates~~ a plate shall be so designed as to readily apprise law enforcement officers of
22 the fact that the vehicle is operated by a disabled person and is entitled to the parking
23 privileges specified in s. 346.50 (2a). No charge in addition to the registration fee may
24 be made for the issuance or renewal of the ~~plates~~ plate. The ~~plates~~ plate shall
25 conform to the ~~plates~~ plate required in sub. (1a).

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1 **SECTION 32.** 341.14 (2) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16,
2 is amended to read:

3 341.14 (2) Upon compliance with the laws relating to registration of
4 automobiles and motor homes; motor trucks, dual purpose motor homes and dual
5 purpose farm trucks which have a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds; and
6 farm trucks which have a gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds, including
7 payment of the prescribed registration fees therefor plus an additional fee of \$15
8 when ~~a registration plates are~~ plate is issued accompanied by an application showing
9 satisfactory proof that the applicant is the holder of an unexpired amateur radio
10 station license issued by the federal communications commission, the department
11 shall issue ~~a registration plates~~ plate on which, in lieu of the usual registration
12 number, shall be inscribed in large legible form the call letters of such applicant as
13 assigned by the federal communications commission. The fee for reissuance of a
14 plate under this subsection shall be \$15.

15 **SECTION 33.** 341.14 (2m) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16,
16 is amended to read:

17 341.14 (2m) Upon compliance with laws relating to registration of motor
18 vehicles, including payment of the prescribed fee, and an additional fee of \$15 when
19 the original or new registration ~~plates are~~ plate is issued and accompanied by an
20 application showing satisfactory proof that the applicant has a collector's
21 identification number as provided in s. 341.266 (2) (d), the department shall issue ~~a~~
22 registration ~~plates~~ plate on which, in lieu of the usual registration number, shall be
23 inscribed the collector's identification number issued under s. 341.266 (2) (d). The
24 words "VEHICLE COLLECTOR" shall be inscribed across the lower or upper portion
25 of the plate at the discretion of the department. Additional registrations under this

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1 subsection by the same collector shall bear the same collector's identification number
2 followed by a suffix letter for vehicle identification. Registration plates issued under
3 this subsection shall expire annually.

4 **SECTION 34.** 341.14 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.14 (5) Upon application by any person awarded the congressional medal
6 of honor and submission of proper proof thereof, the department shall issue a special
7 plates plate so designed as to indicate such award. No charge whatever shall be made
8 for the issuance of such plates plate.

9 **SECTION 35.** 341.14 (6) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 341.14 (6) (c) A person who maintains no more than one registration under this
11 subsection at one time shall not be charged a fee for registration of the vehicle or
12 issuance of the plates plate.

13 **SECTION 36.** 341.14 (6) (d) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16,
14 is amended to read:

15 341.14 (6) (d) For each additional vehicle, a person who maintains more than
16 one registration under this subsection at one time shall be charged a fee of \$15 for
17 issuance or reissuance of the plates plate in addition to the annual registration fee
18 for the vehicle. Except as provided in par. (c), a motor truck or dual purpose farm
19 truck registered under this subsection shall be registered under this paragraph.

20 **SECTION 37.** 341.14 (6m) (a) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
21 16, is amended to read:

22 341.14 (6m) (a) Upon application to register an automobile or motor truck
23 which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds by any person who is a
24 resident of this state and a member or retired member of the national guard, the
25 department shall issue to the person a special plates plate whose colors and design

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1 shall be determined by the department and which ~~have~~ has the words “Wisconsin
2 guard member” placed on the ~~plates~~ plate in the manner designated by the
3 department. The department shall consult with or obtain the approval of the
4 adjutant general with respect to any word or symbol used to identify the national
5 guard. An additional fee of \$15 shall be charged for the issuance or reissuance of the
6 ~~plates~~ plate. Registration plates issued under this subsection shall expire annually.

7 **SECTION 38.** 341.14 (6m) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 341.14 **(6m)** (b) Except as provided in par. (c), if an individual in possession of
9 a special plates plate under this subsection or of a personalized plates plate under
10 s. 341.145 (1) (b) does not maintain membership in the national guard during a year
11 which is not a plate issuance year, the individual shall dispose of the special ~~plates~~
12 plate in a manner prescribed by the department.

13 **SECTION 39.** 341.14 (6r) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

14 341.14 **(6r)** (b) 1. Upon application to register an automobile or motor home,
15 or a motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm truck which has a
16 gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds, or a farm truck which has a gross weight
17 of not more than 12,000 pounds, by any person who is a resident of this state and a
18 member of an authorized special group, the department shall issue to the person a
19 special plates plate whose colors and design shall indicate that the vehicle is owned
20 by a person who is a member of the applicable special group. The department may
21 not issue any special group plates under par. (f) 55. until 6 months after the
22 department has received information sufficient for the department to determine that
23 any approvals required for use of any logo, trademark, trade name or other
24 commercial symbol designating the professional football team have been obtained.

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1 **SECTION 40.** 341.14 (6r) (b) 2. of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act
2 16, is amended to read:

3 341.14 **(6r)** (b) 2. An additional fee of \$15 shall be charged for the issuance or
4 reissuance of the ~~plates~~ plate for special groups specified under par. (f).

5 **SECTION 41.** 341.14 (6r) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 341.14 **(6r)** (g) If an individual in possession of a special ~~plates~~ plate under par.
7 (f) 33., 34. or 48. or of a personalized ~~plates~~ plate under s. 341.145 (1) (c) of the same
8 color and design as a special ~~plates~~ plate under par. (f) 33., 34. or 48. does not
9 maintain membership in the applicable authorized special group during a year that
10 is not a plate issuance year, the individual shall dispose of the special ~~plates~~ plate
11 in a manner prescribed by the department.

12 **SECTION 42.** 341.14 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.14 **(7)** The department shall disseminate information to all applicants for
14 a registration ~~plates~~ plate under sub. (1), (1a), (1e), (1m) or (1q) relating to the
15 parking privileges granted under s. 346.50 (2), (2a) or (3) and their right to request
16 enforcement of s. 346.505.

17 **SECTION 43.** 341.145 (1g) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 341.145 **(1g)** (a) The department may issue a personalized registration ~~plates~~
19 plate under sub. (1) (b) to a person who qualifies for a special ~~plates~~ plate under s.
20 341.14 (6m).

21 **SECTION 44.** 341.145 (1g) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 341.145 **(1g)** (b) The department may issue a personalized registration ~~plates~~
23 plate under sub. (1) (c) to a person who qualifies for a special ~~plates~~ plate under s.
24 341.14 (6r).

25 **SECTION 45.** 341.145 (1g) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.145 **(1g)** (c) The department may issue a personalized registration plates
2 plate under sub. (1) (d) to a person who qualifies for a special plates plate under s.
3 341.14 (1).

4 **SECTION 46.** 341.145 (1g) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.145 **(1g)** (d) The department may issue a personalized registration plates
6 plate under sub. (1) (e) to a person who qualifies for a special plates plate under s.
7 341.14 (1a), (1m) or (1q).

8 **SECTION 47.** 341.145 (1r) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 341.145 **(1r)** In lieu of the procedure under s. 341.13 (2), the department may
10 issue a distinguishing tags or decals for tag or decal for a personalized registration
11 plates plate for a vehicle registered on the basis of gross weight.

12 **SECTION 48.** 341.145 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.145 **(2)** (intro.) The department shall issue a personalized registration
14 plates plate only upon request and if:

15 **SECTION 49.** 341.145 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 341.145 **(3)** In addition to the regular application fee provided under s. 341.25
17 (1) (a), (c) or (j) or (2) or 341.26 (3) (a) 2. or (am), the applicant for a personalized
18 registration plate issued on an annual basis shall pay a fee of \$15 for the issuance
19 of the plate and \$15 in each succeeding year to maintain the plate. In addition to the
20 regular application fee provided under s. 341.25 (1) (b) or 341.26 (3) (a) 1., the
21 applicant for a personalized registration plate issued on a biennial basis shall pay
22 a fee of \$30 for issuance of the plate if the plate is issued during the first year of the
23 biennial registration period or \$15 for issuance of the plate if the plate is issued
24 during the 2nd year of the biennial registration period. The fee to maintain a
25 personalized plate issued on a biennial basis is \$30. The fee for reissuance of a

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1 personalized plate shall be \$15 for an annual registration and \$30 for a biennial
2 registration. An applicant for ~~a personalized plates~~ plate issued under sub. (1) (b)
3 or (c) shall not be required to pay the fee for initial issuance of the ~~plates~~ plate.

4 **SECTION 50.** 341.145 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.145 (8) The department may cancel and order the return of any
6 personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate issued which ~~contain~~ contains any
7 combination of letters or numbers, or both, which the department determines may
8 carry connotations offensive to good taste and decency or which may be misleading.
9 Any person ordered to return ~~such plates~~ a plate under this subsection shall either
10 be reimbursed for any additional fees they paid for the ~~plates~~ plate for the
11 registration year in which they are recalled, or be given at no additional cost ~~a~~
12 replacement personalized registration ~~plates~~ plate, the issuance of which is in
13 compliance with the statutes. A person who fails to return ~~a personalized~~
14 registration ~~plates~~ plate upon request of the department may be required to forfeit
15 not more than \$200.

16 **SECTION 51.** 341.15 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

17 341.15 (1) (intro.) ~~Whenever 2 registration plates are issued for a vehicle, one~~
18 ~~plate shall be attached to the front and one to the rear of the vehicle. Whenever only~~
19 ~~one registration plate is issued for a vehicle, the plate shall be attached as follows:~~

20 **SECTION 52.** 341.15 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 341.15 (1) (b) For any other vehicle ~~for which only one plate is issued, to the~~
22 ~~rear, except that a plate issued to or for a municipality under s. 341.26 (2m) may be~~
23 ~~attached to the front of the vehicle if the design or use of the vehicle is such as to make~~
24 ~~a plate attached to the rear difficult to see and read.~~

25 **SECTION 53.** 341.15 (1g) of the statutes is created to read:

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1 341.15 (1g) The owner of any vehicle for which 2 registration plates were issued
2 before the effective date of this subsection [revisor inserts date], may remove and
3 destroy one registration plate from the vehicle but is not required to do so until such
4 time as the department issues a new plate upon the renewal of registration of the
5 vehicle. If a person removes and destroys one plate, the remaining plate must comply
6 with the requirements of sub. (1).

7 **SECTION 54.** 341.15 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 341.15 (2) ~~Registration plates~~ A registration plate shall be attached firmly and
9 rigidly in a horizontal position and conspicuous place. The ~~plates~~ plate shall at all
10 times be maintained in a legible condition and shall be so displayed that ~~they~~ it can
11 be readily and distinctly seen and read. Any peace officer may require the operator
12 of any vehicle on which ~~plates are~~ a plate is not properly displayed to display ~~such~~
13 ~~plates~~ the plate as required by this section.

14 **SECTION 55.** 341.16 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 341.16 (1) (a) Whenever a current registration plate is lost or destroyed, the
16 owner of the vehicle to which the plate was attached shall immediately apply to the
17 department for replacement. Except as provided in par. (b) and sub. (2m), upon
18 satisfactory proof of the loss or destruction of the plate and upon payment of a fee of
19 \$2 for each the plate, the department shall issue a replacement.

20 **SECTION 56.** 341.16 (1) (b) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16,
21 is amended to read:

22 341.16 (1) (b) Upon satisfactory proof of the loss or destruction of a special plate
23 issued under s. 341.14 (6m) (a), (6r) (b), or (6w) or a special personalized plate issued
24 under s. 341.145 (1) (b), (c), or (f) and upon payment of a fee of \$5 for each the plate

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1 or, if the plate is for a special group specified under s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 35. to 47. or 53.,
2 \$6 for each the plate, the department shall issue a replacement.

3 **SECTION 57.** 341.16 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 341.16 (2) Whenever a current registration plate becomes illegible, the owner
5 of the vehicle to which the plate is attached shall apply to the department for a
6 replacement. Except as provided in sub. (2m), upon receipt of satisfactory proof of
7 illegibility, and upon payment of a fee of \$2 for each the plate, the department shall
8 issue a replacement. Upon receipt of a replacement plate, the applicant shall destroy
9 the illegible plate.

10 **SECTION 58.** 341.16 (2m) of the statutes is amended to read:

11 341.16 (2m) Upon request therefor and payment of a fee of \$10, the department
12 may issue an applicant for a replacement ~~plates~~ plate for an automobile registered
13 pursuant to the registration system under s. 341.27 a registration ~~plates~~ plate of the
14 design specified in s. 341.13 for the plate issuance cycle next succeeding the cycle
15 under which the original ~~plates were~~ plate was issued. The department may limit
16 the receipt of requests under this subsection to applicants for a renewal registration
17 of a motor vehicle.

18 **SECTION 59.** 341.16 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 341.16 (3) When issuing a replacement plate, the department may assign a
20 new number and issue a new plate rather than a duplicate of the original if in its
21 judgment that is in the best interests of economy or prevention of fraud. Upon receipt
22 of a replacement plate, the applicant shall destroy ~~all plates~~ the plate replaced.

23 **SECTION 60.** 341.16 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.16 (4) Any person issued a replacement ~~plates~~ plate who fails to destroy
2 the original ~~plates~~ plate as required by sub. (2) or (3) may be required to forfeit not
3 more than \$200.

4 **SECTION 61.** 341.265 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.265 (1) Any person who is a resident of this state and the owner or
6 subsequent transferee of a motor vehicle which has a model year of 1945 or earlier
7 and which has not been altered or modified from the original manufacturer's
8 specifications may upon application register the same as an antique vehicle upon
9 payment of a fee of \$5, and be furnished a registration ~~plates~~ plate of a distinctive
10 design, in lieu of the usual registration ~~plates~~ plate, which shall show in addition to
11 the registration number that the vehicle is an antique. The registration shall be
12 valid while the vehicle is owned by the applicant without the payment of any
13 additional fee. The vehicle shall only be used for special occasions such as display
14 and parade purposes or for necessary testing, maintenance and storage purposes.
15 A motorcycle may be registered as an antique vehicle if all of the requirements for
16 registration specified in this subsection are satisfied.

17 **SECTION 62.** 341.265 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 341.265 (1m) A person who registers an antique motor vehicle under sub. (1)
19 may furnish and display on the vehicle a historical plate from or representing the
20 model year of the vehicle if the registration and ~~plates~~ plate issued by the department
21 are simultaneously carried in or, with respect to an antique motorcycle, with the
22 vehicle and are available for inspection.

23 **SECTION 63.** 341.266 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

24 341.266 (2) (a) Any person who is the owner of a special interest vehicle which
25 is 20 or more years old at the time of making application for registration or transfer

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1 of title of the vehicle and who, unless the owner is an historical society that is exempt
2 from federal income taxes, owns, has registered in this state and uses for regular
3 transportation at least one vehicle that has a regular registration plates plate may
4 upon application register the vehicle as a special interest vehicle upon payment of
5 a fee under par. (b).

6 **SECTION 64.** 341.266 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 341.266 (2) (c) The department shall furnish the owner of the vehicle with a
8 registration ~~plates~~ plate of a distinctive design in lieu of the usual registration ~~plates~~
9 plate, and ~~those plates~~ that plate shall show that the vehicle is a special interest
10 vehicle owned by a Wisconsin collector. Upon application, the owner may reregister
11 the vehicle without the payment of any additional fee.

12 **SECTION 65.** 341.266 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.266 (2) (d) Each collector applying for a special interest vehicle registration
14 ~~plates~~ plate will be issued a collector's identification number which will appear on
15 each the plate. Second and all subsequent registrations under this section by the
16 same collector will bear the same collector's identification number followed by a
17 suffix letter for vehicle identification.

18 **SECTION 66.** 341.266 (2) (e) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

19 341.266 (2) (e) 3. Except as provided in s. 341.09 (7), no special interest vehicle
20 may be operated upon any highway of this state during the month of January unless
21 the owner of the vehicle reregisters the vehicle under s. 341.25 and replaces the
22 distinctive registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under par. (c) with a regular registration
23 ~~plates~~ plate or transfers a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate to the vehicle.

24 **SECTION 67.** 341.266 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.266 (3) In addition to the fee in sub. (2) (b), there shall be an original (first
2 time only) processing fee of \$50 to defray the cost of issuing the original collector's
3 special interest vehicle registration ~~plates~~ plate and to ensure that each collector will
4 be issued only one collector's identification number.

5 **SECTION 68.** 341.268 (2) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 341.268 (2) (a) (intro.) Any person who is the owner of a reconstructed, replica,
7 street modified or homemade vehicle and who owns, has registered in this state and
8 uses for regular transportation at least one vehicle that has a regular registration
9 ~~plates~~ plate may upon application register the vehicle as a reconstructed, replica,
10 street modified or homemade vehicle upon payment of a fee under par. (b), provided
11 that the vehicle is one of the following:

12 **SECTION 69.** 341.268 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.268 (2) (c) The department shall furnish the owner of the vehicle with a
14 registration ~~plates~~ plate of a distinctive design in lieu of the usual registration ~~plates~~
15 plate, and those ~~plates~~ that plate shall show that the vehicle is a reconstructed,
16 replica, street modified or homemade vehicle owned by a Wisconsin hobbyist. Upon
17 application, the owner may reregister the vehicle without the payment of any
18 additional fee.

19 **SECTION 70.** 341.268 (2) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 341.268 (2) (d) Each hobbyist applying for a reconstructed, replica, street
21 modified or homemade vehicle registration ~~plates~~ plate will be issued a hobbyist's
22 identification number which will appear on ~~each~~ the plate. Second and all
23 subsequent registrations under this section by the same hobbyist will bear the same
24 hobbyist's identification number followed by a suffix letter for vehicle identification.

25 **SECTION 71.** 341.268 (2) (e) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 341.268 (2) (e) 3. Except as provided in s. 341.09 (7), no reconstructed, replica,
2 street modified or homemade vehicle may be operated upon any highway of this state
3 during the month of January unless the owner of the vehicle reregisters the vehicle
4 under s. 341.25 and replaces the distinctive registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under
5 par. (c) with a regular registration ~~plates~~ plate or transfers a regular registration
6 ~~plates~~ plate to the vehicle.

7 **SECTION 72.** 341.268 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 341.268 (3) In addition to the fee in sub. (2) (b), there shall be an original (first
9 time only) processing fee of \$50 to defray the cost of issuing the original hobbyist's
10 reconstructed, replica, street modified or homemade vehicle registration ~~plates~~ plate
11 and to ensure that each hobbyist will be issued only one hobbyist's identification
12 number.

13 **SECTION 73.** 341.27 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 341.27 (3) (a) If the applicant holds a current registration ~~plates that were~~ plate
15 ~~that was~~ removed from an automobile that the applicant no longer owns or that has
16 been junked, is no longer used on the highways or has been registered as a special
17 interest vehicle under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or a reconstructed, replica, street modified
18 or homemade vehicle under s. 341.268 (2) (a), and the ~~plates were~~ plate was issued
19 under the system of registration prescribed by this section, the department shall
20 register the automobile which is the subject of the application for the remainder of
21 the unexpired registration period.

22 **SECTION 74.** 341.27 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

23 341.27 (3) (b) If the applicant does not hold a current registration ~~plates~~ plate
24 under the circumstances described in par. (a) and the application is an original
25 rather than renewal application, the department may register the automobile which

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1 is the subject of the application for such period or part thereof as the secretary
2 determines will help to equalize the registration and renewal workload of the
3 department.

4 **SECTION 75.** 341.28 (2) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.28 (2) (intro.) If the applicant for registration holds a current registration
6 ~~plates which were~~ plate that was removed from an automobile which the applicant
7 no longer owns or which has been junked, is no longer being used on the highways
8 or has been registered as a special interest vehicle under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or a
9 reconstructed, replica, street modified or homemade vehicle under s. 341.268 (2) (a),
10 and the ~~plates were~~ plate was issued under the system of registration prescribed by
11 s. 341.27, the applicant is exempt from the payment of a registration fee, except in
12 the following cases:

13 **SECTION 76.** 341.28 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 341.28 (2) (a) If the annual fee prescribed for the automobile being registered
15 is higher than the annual fee prescribed for the automobile from which the plates
16 ~~were~~ plate was removed, the applicant shall pay a fee computed on the basis of
17 one-twelfth of the difference between the 2 annual fees multiplied by the number of
18 months for which the automobile which is the subject of the application is being
19 registered. The start of the new registration, for the purpose of computing the fee,
20 shall be determined in accordance with sub. (7).

21 **SECTION 77.** 341.28 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 341.28 (2) (b) If the automobile which is the subject of the application was
23 owned by the applicant at any time during the month in which the transfer,
24 termination of the consumer lease, discontinuance of use on the highways, junking
25 or registration under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or 341.268 (2) (a) of the other automobile

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1 occurred and was not currently registered at the time of such transfer, termination
2 of the consumer lease, discontinuance of use on the highways, junking or registration
3 under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or 341.268 (2) (a), the applicant shall pay a fee to be computed
4 as provided in subs. (3) to (5) but shall receive a credit for the unused portion of the
5 current registration. The credit shall be computed on the basis of one-twelfth of the
6 annual fee paid for the vehicle from which the ~~plates were~~ plate was removed
7 multiplied by the number of months remaining in the registration period
8 represented by the removed ~~plates~~ plate, including the month during which the
9 applicant transferred, discontinued to use on the highways, junked or registered
10 under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or 341.268 (2) (a) or terminated the consumer lease of the
11 automobile from which the ~~plates were~~ plate was removed.

12 **SECTION 78.** 341.28 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.28 (3) If the applicant does not hold a current registration ~~plates~~ plate
14 under the circumstances described in sub. (2) and the automobile which is the subject
15 of the application has not previously been registered in this state by the applicant,
16 the fee payable by the applicant shall be computed on the basis of one-twelfth of the
17 annual fee multiplied by the number of months for which the automobile is being
18 registered, the start of such registration period to be determined in accordance with
19 sub. (7).

20 **SECTION 79.** 341.28 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 341.28 (4) (intro.) If the applicant does not hold a current registration ~~plates~~
22 plate under the circumstances described in sub. (2) but the automobile which is the
23 subject of the application has previously been registered in this state by the
24 applicant, the applicant shall pay a fee covering all the time since the end of the
25 period for which the automobile previously was registered unless:

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1 **SECTION 80.** 341.29 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 341.29 (2) If an application for registration of a vehicle subject to registration
3 on an annual or biennial basis is received less than 2 months prior to the beginning
4 of any registration period and the vehicle is not registered in this state at the time
5 of application and the applicant desires to register for the succeeding registration
6 period as well as for the remainder of the current period, the department upon
7 registering the vehicle shall issue a registration ~~plates~~ plate designed for the
8 succeeding registration period rather than for the current period. ~~Such plates also~~
9 ~~serve~~ The plate also serves during the remainder of the current registration period
10 as lawful evidence of the registration of the vehicle. This subsection does not affect
11 computation of fee payable by the applicant.

12 **SECTION 81.** 341.295 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.295 (3) (a) If the applicant holds a registration ~~plates which were~~ plate that
14 was removed from a vehicle under s. 341.31 (4) (c), 342.15 (4) (a) or 342.34 (1) (c) or
15 (2) (c), and the ~~plates were~~ plate was issued under the monthly series system, the
16 department shall register a replacement vehicle of the same type and gross weight
17 which is the subject of the application for the remainder of the unexpired registration
18 period.

19 **SECTION 82.** 341.295 (3) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 341.295 (3) (b) If the applicant does not hold a current registration ~~plates~~ plate
21 under the circumstances described in par. (a) and the application is an original
22 rather than renewal application, the department may register the vehicle which is
23 the subject of the application for such period or part of a period as the secretary
24 determines will help to equalize the registration and renewal workload of the
25 department.

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1 **SECTION 83.** 341.31 (1) (b) 5. of the statutes is amended to read:

2 341.31 (1) (b) 5. The vehicle is a motorcycle which has been transferred or
3 leased to the applicant and for which a current registration ~~plates~~ plate had been
4 issued to the previous owner; or

5 **SECTION 84.** 341.31 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 341.31 (4) (b) A person retaining a ~~set of plates~~ plate removed from a vehicle
7 under s. 342.15 (4) (a) or 342.34 (1) (c) or (2) (c) and which was junked or transferred,
8 is no longer leased to the person or used on the highways or has been registered as
9 a special interest vehicle under s. 341.266 (2) (a) or a reconstructed, replica, street
10 modified or homemade vehicle under s. 341.268 (2) (a) may receive credit for the
11 unused portion of the registration fee paid when registering a replacement vehicle
12 of the same type and gross weight.

13 **SECTION 85.** 341.31 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 341.31 (4) (c) A person retaining a ~~set of plates~~ plate removed from a motorcycle
15 may receive credit for the unused portion of the registration fee paid when
16 registering a replacement motorcycle.

17 **SECTION 86.** 341.32 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 341.32 (1) Whenever the construction or the use of a registered vehicle is
19 changed in a manner making the vehicle subject to a different registration fee than
20 the fee for which the vehicle currently is registered, the owner shall immediately
21 make application for reregistration. The fee payable upon such reregistration shall
22 be computed as for a vehicle not previously registered in this state but a credit shall
23 be allowed for the unused portion of the fee paid for the previous registration if the
24 registration ~~plates~~ plate issued upon the previous registration are is returned to the
25 department. The credit shall be computed on the basis of one-twelfth of the annual

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1 registration fee or one twenty-fourth of the biennial registration fee prescribed for
2 the vehicle as previously registered multiplied by the number of months of
3 registration which have not fully expired on the date the vehicle became subject to
4 the different fee. The credit may be applied toward the reregistration of the vehicle
5 only up to the date when the previous registration would have expired.

6 **SECTION 87.** 341.33 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 341.33 (2) The department shall refund the unused portion of a registration fee
8 paid for the registration of a vehicle owned by a person who is entering active service
9 in the naval or military forces of the United States if the person makes application
10 for such refund upon a form prescribed by the department, furnishes such proof as
11 the department may require that the vehicle will not be operated in this or another
12 state during the remainder of the period for which the vehicle is registered, and
13 returns to the department the certificate of registration and registration ~~plates~~ plate.
14 The refund shall be computed on the basis of one-twelfth of the annual registration
15 fee or one twenty-fourth of the biennial registration fee paid for the vehicle,
16 multiplied by the number of full months remaining in the period for which the vehicle
17 is registered when the vehicle ceases to be operated.

18 **SECTION 88.** 341.33 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 341.33 (3) Upon request, the department shall refund 50% of a registration fee
20 paid for a vehicle registered on a biennial basis if the person who registered the
21 vehicle furnishes such proof as the department requires that the person has
22 transferred his or her interest in the vehicle or terminated leasing the vehicle before
23 the beginning of the 2nd year of the period for which the vehicle is registered or that
24 the vehicle will not be operated in this state after the beginning of the 2nd year of
25 the period for which the vehicle is registered. The department may require the

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1 person to return the certificate of registration and registration ~~plates~~ plate for the
2 vehicle to the department. Except as provided in sub. (1), the department may not
3 refund more than 50% of the fee paid for the registration of a vehicle registered on
4 a biennial basis.

5 **SECTION 89.** 341.335 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 341.335 (1) Whenever any person, after applying for and receiving a
7 registration ~~plates~~ plate, moves from the address named in the application for the
8 registration ~~plates~~ plate or when the name of the licensee is changed by marriage or
9 otherwise, the person shall within 10 days notify the department in writing of the
10 old and new address or of such former and new names and of all registration plate
11 numbers held.

12 **SECTION 90.** 341.41 (8) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 341.41 (8) (a) Residents of the state operating a fleet of 3 or more units
14 consisting of trucks, truck tractors or road tractors with a gross weight of not less
15 than 12,000 pounds shall display a Wisconsin registration ~~plates~~ plate for which
16 100% of the fee has been paid on vehicles not exempt from Wisconsin registration and
17 operated in intrastate commerce. Vehicles engaged in interstate commerce may
18 display a Wisconsin prorated registration ~~plates~~ plate for which a proportional
19 registration fee has been paid in addition to a full fee registration plate from another
20 jurisdiction. Such proportional registration shall be accomplished either by payment
21 to the department of registration fees in an amount equal to that obtained by
22 applying the proportion of in-state fleet miles divided by the total fleet miles to the
23 total fees which would otherwise be required for the registration of all such vehicles
24 in this state, or by registration of a portion of such vehicles as determined under this
25 subsection. The department may refuse to permit any or all of such vehicles to be

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1 registered under apportionment if the department is not satisfied that this state will
2 obtain a fair and equitable share of license registrations of the vehicles comprising
3 such fleet.

4 **SECTION 91.** 341.47 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.47 (1) (intro.) Except as provided in sub. (2), any motor vehicle,
6 recreational vehicle, trailer or semitrailer that is owned or repossessed by, or
7 consigned for sale to, a dealer, distributor or manufacturer may be operated on the
8 highways of this state for either private or business purposes without being
9 registered if the vehicle has displayed upon it a valid registration plates plate issued
10 under s. 341.51 to the dealer, distributor or manufacturer and the vehicle:

11 **SECTION 92.** 341.47 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 341.47 (3) A vehicle which is being transported in tow on its own wheels or
13 under its own power from the manufacturer to the distributor, dealer or branch of the
14 manufacturer, or from the distributor or dealer to another distributor or dealer or to
15 the manufacturer or branch of the manufacturer, or from the branch of the
16 manufacturer to the distributor, dealer or manufacturer by a transporter of vehicles
17 need not be registered if such vehicle has displayed upon it a valid registration plates
18 plate issued to the transporter pursuant to s. 341.51. The requirement under this
19 subsection that the vehicle be transported in tow on its own wheels or under its own
20 power does not apply to trailers, semitrailers or truck tractors.

21 **SECTION 93.** 341.51 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 341.51 (2) Upon registering a dealer, distributor, manufacturer or transporter
23 the department also shall issue 2 one registration plates plate. The department,
24 upon receiving a fee of \$5 for each additional plate desired by a dealer, distributor
25 or manufacturer of motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers, \$5 for each additional

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1 plate desired by a dealer, distributor or manufacturer of recreational vehicles and \$5
2 for each additional plate desired by a transporter, shall issue to the registered dealer,
3 distributor, manufacturer or transporter the additional plates as ordered. The
4 department may charge a fee of \$2 per plate for replacing lost, damaged or illegible
5 plates issued under this subsection.

6 **SECTION 94.** 341.53 of the statutes is amended to read:

7 **341.53 Expiration of registration; transferability of plates plate.**

8 Certificates of registration and registration plates issued to dealers, distributors,
9 manufacturers or transporters shall be issued for the calendar year and are valid
10 only during the calendar year for which issued. ~~Registration plates are~~ A
11 registration plate is transferable from one motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer to
12 another motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer and from one recreational vehicle to
13 another.

14 **SECTION 95.** 341.625 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 341.625 (1) Any person who fraudulently procures or uses a special
16 registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a)
17 shall forfeit not less than \$200 nor more than \$500.

18 **SECTION 96.** 341.63 (3) of the statutes, as affected by 1997 Wisconsin Act 84,
19 is amended to read:

20 341.63 (3) Whenever the registration of a vehicle is suspended under this
21 section or ch. 344, the department may order the owner or person in possession of the
22 registration ~~plates~~ plate to return ~~them~~ it to the department. Any person who fails
23 to return the ~~plates~~ plate when ordered to do so by the department may be required
24 to forfeit not more than \$200.

25 **SECTION 97.** 342.05 (5) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 342.05 (5) Unless otherwise authorized by rule of the department, a
2 nonresident owner of a vehicle that is not subject to registration in this state may not
3 apply for a certificate of title under this chapter unless the vehicle is subject to a
4 security interest or except as provided in s. 342.16 (1) (a). Notwithstanding any other
5 provision of this section, a nonresident may purchase a temporary operation plates
6 plate under s. 341.09 (4). Any temporary operation permit or plate issued under s.
7 341.09 shall not be considered registration of the vehicle for purposes of this
8 subsection.

9 **SECTION 98.** 342.15 (4) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 342.15 (4) (a) If the vehicle being transferred is a motorcycle or an automobile
11 registered under s. 341.27 or a motor home or a motor truck, dual purpose motor
12 home or dual purpose farm truck which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000
13 pounds or a farm truck which has a gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds, the
14 owner shall remove the registration ~~plates~~ plate and retain and preserve ~~them~~ the
15 plate for use on any other vehicle of the same type and gross weight which may
16 subsequently be registered in his or her name.

17 **SECTION 99.** 342.15 (4) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 342.15 (4) (b) If the vehicle being transferred is a vehicle registered under s.
19 341.26 at a special fee and the new owner will not be entitled to register the vehicle
20 at such fee, the transferor shall remove and destroy the ~~plates~~ plate.

21 **SECTION 100.** 342.15 (4) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 342.15 (4) (c) In all other cases the transferor shall permit the ~~plates~~ plate to
23 remain attached to the vehicle being transferred, except that if the vehicle has been
24 junked the transferor shall remove and destroy the ~~plates~~ plate.

25 **SECTION 101.** 342.34 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 342.34 (1) (c) If the vehicle is a motorcycle or an automobile registered under
2 s. 341.27 or a motor home or a motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose
3 farm truck which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds or a farm truck
4 which has a gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds, the owner shall remove
5 the registration ~~plates~~ plate and retain and preserve ~~them~~ the plate for use on any
6 other vehicle of the same type which may subsequently be registered in his or her
7 name. If the vehicle is not a motorcycle or an automobile registered under s. 341.27,
8 or a motor home or a motor truck, dual purpose motor home or dual purpose farm
9 truck which has a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds or a farm truck which
10 has a gross weight of not more than 12,000 pounds, he or she shall remove and
11 destroy the ~~plates~~ plate.

12 **SECTION 102.** 342.34 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 342.34 (2) (c) Remove and either retain or destroy the registration ~~plates~~ plate
14 for the vehicle as provided in sub. (1) (c).”.

15 **SECTION 103.** 343.51 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 343.51 (1) Any person who qualifies for a registration ~~plates~~ plate of a special
17 design under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1m) or (1q) or any other person with a disability that
18 limits or impairs the ability to walk may request from the department a special
19 identification card that will entitle any motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle,
20 parked by, or under the direction of, the person, or a motor vehicle, other than a
21 motorcycle, operated by or on behalf of the organization when used to transport such
22 a person, to parking privileges under s. 346.50 (2), (2a) and (3). The department shall
23 issue the card at a fee to be determined by the department, upon submission by the
24 applicant, if the applicant is an individual rather than an organization, of a
25 statement from a physician licensed to practice medicine in any state, from an

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1 advanced practice nurse licensed to practice nursing in any state, from a physician
2 assistant licensed or certified to practice in any state, from a chiropractor licensed
3 to practice chiropractic in any state or from a Christian Science practitioner residing
4 in this state and listed in the Christian Science journal that the person is a person
5 with a disability that limits or impairs the ability to walk. The statement shall state
6 whether the disability is permanent or temporary and, if temporary, the opinion of
7 the physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant, chiropractor or
8 practitioner as to the duration of the disability. The department shall issue the card
9 upon application by an organization on a form prescribed by the department if the
10 department believes that the organization meets the requirements under this
11 subsection.

12 **SECTION 104.** 344.45 (1) of the statutes, as affected by 1997 Wisconsin Act 84,
13 is amended to read:

14 344.45 (1) Whenever a person's operating privilege or registration is suspended
15 under this chapter, the department may order the person to surrender to the
16 department his or her operator's license and the registration plate or plates of the
17 vehicle or vehicles for which registration was suspended. If the person fails
18 immediately to return the operator's license or registration plate or plates to the
19 department, the department may direct a traffic officer to take possession thereof
20 and return them to the department.

21 **SECTION 105.** 344.55 (2) of the statutes, as affected by 1997 Wisconsin Act 84,
22 is amended to read:

23 344.55 (2) The department may not issue a registration plates plate for such
24 a vehicle unless there is on file with the department a certificate of insurance
25 showing that the vehicle is insured in compliance with sub. (1). No such policy may

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1 be terminated prior to its expiration or canceled for any reason unless a notice thereof
2 is filed with the department at least 30 days prior to the date of termination or
3 cancellation. The department shall suspend the registration of a vehicle on which
4 the insurance policy has been terminated or canceled, effective on the date of
5 termination or cancellation.

6 **SECTION 106.** 346.50 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 346.50 (2) Except as provided in sub. (3m), a motor vehicle bearing a special
8 registration plate issued under s. 341.14 (1) or (1r) (a) to a disabled veteran or on his
9 or her behalf is exempt from any ordinance imposing time limitations on parking in
10 any street or highway zone and parking lot, whether municipally owned or leased,
11 or both municipally owned and leased or a parking place owned or leased, or both
12 owned and leased by a municipal parking utility, with one-half hour or more
13 limitation but otherwise is subject to the laws relating to parking. Where the time
14 limitation on a metered stall is one-half hour or more, no meter payment is required.
15 Parking privileges granted by this subsection are limited to the disabled veteran to
16 whom or on whose behalf the special ~~plates were~~ plate was issued and to qualified
17 operators acting under the disabled veteran's express direction with the disabled
18 veteran present.

19 **SECTION 107.** 346.50 (2a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

20 346.50 (2a) (intro.) Except as provided in sub. (3m), a motor vehicle bearing a
21 special registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under s. 341.14 (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a)
22 or a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, upon which a special identification card
23 issued under s. 343.51 is displayed or a motor vehicle registered in another
24 jurisdiction upon which is displayed a registration plate, a card or an emblem issued
25 by the other jurisdiction designating the vehicle as a vehicle used by a physically

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1 disabled person is exempt from any ordinance imposing time limitations on parking
2 in any street or highway zone and parking lot, whether municipally owned or leased,
3 or both municipally owned and leased or a parking place owned or leased, or both
4 owned and leased by a municipal parking utility, with one-half hour or more
5 limitation but otherwise is subject to the laws relating to parking. Where the time
6 limitation on a metered stall is one-half hour or more, no meter payment is required.
7 Parking privileges granted by this subsection are limited to the following:

8 **SECTION 108.** 346.50 (2a) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 346.50 (2a) (a) A person to whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14
10 (1a).

11 **SECTION 109.** 346.50 (2a) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

12 346.50 (2a) (b) A qualified operator acting under the express direction of a
13 person to whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14 (1a) when such person
14 is present.

15 **SECTION 110.** 346.50 (2a) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

16 346.50 (2a) (c) A person to whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14
17 (1m) when the disabled person for whom the ~~plates were~~ plate was issued is present.

18 **SECTION 111.** 346.50 (2a) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:

19 346.50 (2a) (d) A person for whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s.
20 341.14 (1q).

21 **SECTION 112.** 346.50 (2a) (e) of the statutes is amended to read:

22 346.50 (2a) (e) A qualified operator acting under the express direction of a
23 person for whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14 (1q) when such
24 person is present.

25 **SECTION 113.** 346.50 (2a) (f) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 346.50 (2a) (f) A person for whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14
2 (1r) (a).

3 **SECTION 114.** 346.50 (2a) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 346.50 (2a) (g) A qualified operator acting under the express direction of a
5 person for whom ~~plates were~~ a plate was issued under s. 341.14 (1r) (a) when the
6 person is present.

7 **SECTION 115.** 346.50 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

8 346.50 (3) Except as provided in sub. (3m), a vehicle bearing a special
9 registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or
10 a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, upon which a special identification card
11 issued under s. 343.51 is displayed or a motor vehicle registered in another
12 jurisdiction upon which is displayed a registration plate, a card or an emblem issued
13 by the other jurisdiction designating the vehicle as a vehicle used by a person with
14 a physical disability is exempt from s. 346.505 (2) (a) or any ordinance in conformity
15 therewith prohibiting parking, stopping or standing upon any portion of a street,
16 highway or parking facility reserved for persons with physical disabilities by official
17 traffic signs indicating the restriction. Stopping, standing and parking privileges
18 granted by this subsection are limited to the persons listed under subs. (2) and (2a)
19 (a) to (m).

20 **SECTION 116.** 346.503 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 346.503 (1) In this section, “motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person”
22 means a motor vehicle bearing a special registration ~~plates~~ plate issued under s.
23 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle,
24 upon which a special identification card issued under s. 343.51 is displayed or a
25 motor vehicle registered in another jurisdiction and displaying a registration plate,

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1 card or emblem issued by the other jurisdiction which designates the vehicle as a
2 vehicle used by a physically disabled person.

3 **SECTION 117.** 346.505 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 346.505 (2) (a) Except for a motor vehicle used by a physically disabled person
5 as defined under s. 346.503 (1), no person may park, stop or leave standing any
6 vehicle, whether attended or unattended and whether temporarily or otherwise,
7 upon any portion of a street, highway or parking facility reserved, by official traffic
8 signs indicating the restriction, for vehicles displaying a special registration plates
9 plate issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a special
10 identification card issued under s. 343.51 or vehicles registered in another
11 jurisdiction and displaying a registration plate, card or emblem issued by the other
12 jurisdiction which designates the vehicle as a vehicle used by a physically disabled
13 person.

14 **SECTION 118.** 346.505 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

15 346.505 (2) (b) No person may park, stop or leave standing any vehicle, whether
16 attended or unattended and whether temporarily or otherwise, upon any portion of
17 a street, highway or parking facility so as to obstruct, block or otherwise limit the use
18 of any portion of a street, highway or parking facility reserved, by official traffic signs
19 indicating the restriction, for vehicles displaying a special registration plates plate
20 issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a special identification
21 card issued under s. 343.51 or vehicles registered in another jurisdiction and
22 displaying a registration plate, card or emblem issued by the other jurisdiction which
23 designates the vehicle as a vehicle used by a physically disabled person.

24 **SECTION 119.** 346.505 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1 346.505 (2) (c) Notwithstanding par. (b), no person may park, stop or leave
2 standing any vehicle, whether attended or unattended and whether temporarily or
3 otherwise, upon any portion of a street, highway or parking facility that is clearly
4 marked as and intended to be an access aisle to provide entry to and exit from
5 vehicles by persons with physical disabilities and which is immediately adjacent to
6 any portion of a street, highway or parking facility reserved, by official traffic signs
7 indicating the restriction, for vehicles displaying a special registration plates plate
8 issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a), (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a special identification
9 card issued under s. 343.51 or vehicles registered in another jurisdiction and
10 displaying a registration plate, card or emblem issued by the other jurisdiction which
11 designates the vehicle as a vehicle used by a person with a physical disability.

12 **SECTION 120.** 349.13 (1m) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 349.13 (1m) In addition to the requirements under s. 346.503 (1m), the
14 department, with respect to state trunk highways outside of corporate limits and
15 parking facilities under its jurisdiction, and local authorities, with respect to
16 highways under their jurisdiction including state trunk highways or connecting
17 highways within corporate limits and parking facilities within corporate limits, may,
18 by official traffic signs indicating the restriction, prohibit parking, stopping or
19 standing upon any portion of a street, highway or parking facility reserved for any
20 vehicle bearing a special registration plates plate issued under s. 341.14 (1), (1a),
21 (1e), (1m), (1q) or (1r) (a) or a motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, upon which a
22 special identification card issued under s. 343.51 is displayed or any vehicle
23 registered in another jurisdiction and displaying a registration plate, card or emblem
24 issued by the other jurisdiction which designates the vehicle as a vehicle used by a
25 physically disabled person.

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1 **SECTION 121.** 885.237 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 885.237 (2) Notwithstanding s. 341.04, the fact that an automobile or motor
3 truck having a registered weight of 8,000 pounds or less is located on a highway, as
4 defined in s. 340.01 (22), and is not displaying a valid registration ~~plates~~ plate, a
5 temporary operation plate or other evidence of registration as provided under s.
6 341.18 (1) is prima facie evidence, for purposes of ch. 341, that the vehicle is an
7 unregistered or improperly registered vehicle.

8 **SECTION 122. Nonstatutory provisions.**

9 (1) GRANTS TO BROWN COUNTY AND MUNICIPALITIES. From the appropriation
10 under section 20.395 (1) (gs) of the statutes, as created by this act, the department
11 of transportation shall award grants totaling \$500,000 in January 2003 to Brown
12 County, the city of Green Bay, and the village of Ashwaubenon to be used to pay costs
13 associated with the CTH "VK"/Lombardi Avenue project in the city of Green Bay in
14 Brown County. Grant proceeds under this subsection shall be distributed in
15 proportion to the percentage of the costs of the project to be borne by each local
16 governmental unit.

17 **SECTION 123. Appropriation changes.**

18 (1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation
19 to the department of transportation under section 20.395 (5) (cq) of the statutes, as
20 affected by the acts of 2001, the dollar amount is decreased by \$878,200 for fiscal year
21 2002-03 to decrease funding for the issuance of registration plates by the
22 department of transportation.

23 (2) In fiscal year 2002-03, the secretary of administration shall transfer from
24 the transportation fund to the general fund an amount equal to the savings realized
25 in that fiscal year by the department of transportation as a result of issuing a single

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1 registration plate for motor vehicles under section 341.12 (1) of the statutes, as
2 affected by this act, instead of 2 registration plates. The amount of the transfer under
3 this subsection shall be reduced by the sum of \$500,000 and, as determined by the
4 secretary of administration, the amount of additional costs incurred by the
5 department of transportation to implement section 110.08 (5) of the statutes, as
6 created by this act.

7 **SECTION 124. Initial applicability.**

8 (1) This act first applies to registration plates issued by the department of
9 transportation on the effective date of this subsection.

10 **SECTION 125. Effective dates.** This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd
11 month beginning after publication, except as follows:

12 (1) The repeal of section 20.395 (1) (gs) of the statutes takes effect on July 1,
13 2003.

14 (END)