



2013 SENATE BILL 571

February 5, 2014 - Introduced by Senator PETROWSKI, cosponsored by Representative RIPP. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Public Safety, and Veterans and Military Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 342.255 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** the cancellation of a
2 motor vehicle title or registration for fraud on the Department of
3 Transportation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Transportation (DOT) must suspend the registration of a vehicle if the registration was completed through fraud. DOT must also refuse issuance of a vehicle certificate of title if the application contains a false or fraudulent statement and must suspend or revoke a certificate of title if the certificate of title was fraudulently procured, erroneously issued, or prohibited by law. Certain acts of fraud in connection with vehicle registration are punishable as crimes and it is also a crime to supply a fraudulent certificate of title or registration as evidence of ownership of a vehicle.

Also under current law, DOT must cancel a motor vehicle title or registration if DOT discovers fraud on DOT.

This bill requires DOT to cancel a motor vehicle title or registration if DOT discovers fraud on an agent of DOT, such as a motor vehicle dealer that processes title and registration applications for transmittal to DOT.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

