



2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 303

June 4, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives KAUFERT, BARCA, BIES, DANOU, HEBL, HRAYCHUCK, KERKMAN, LOTHIAN, SPANBAUER, VOS, ZEPNICK and FRISKE, cosponsored by Senators TAYLOR, SCHULTZ, ELLIS, DARLING and PLALE. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 341.14 (6r) (fm) 7.; and **to create** 341.14 (6r) (f) 59. of the
2 **statutes; relating to:** special distinguishing registration plates expressing
3 support for the family members of law enforcement officers who have died in
4 the line of duty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, any group or organization may apply to the Department of Transportation for designation as an authorized special group. If the application is approved, members of the authorized special group may obtain special distinguishing registration plates for certain vehicles, including automobiles and motor homes, that are owned or leased by special group members. A fee, in addition to the regular registration fee for the particular kind of vehicle, is charged for the issuance or reissuance of most special plates.

Before October 2, 1998, authorized special groups whose members may obtain special plates were specifically enumerated in state law. With certain exceptions, current law provides that specific enumeration in state law of authorized special groups is limited to those special groups enumerated before October 2, 1998.

This bill establishes an authorized special group specifically enumerated in state law for persons interested in expressing their support for the family members of law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty. In addition to other applicable registration fees, special group members are required to pay a \$15 fee for issuance or reissuance of these special plates.

