

1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 757

February 17, 2000 - Introduced by Representatives LASSA, SPILLNER, OLSEN and RYBA, cosponsored by Senator ROESSLER. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 341.13 (3) and 341.15 (1m) (a); and *to create* 341.15 (4) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** insert tags and decals on vehicle registration plates and
3 providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of transportation (DOT) may issue one insert tag or decal for a vehicle whenever its registration is renewed in lieu of issuing two new registration plates or, for certain vehicles, one new registration plate. The vehicle owner is required to place the insert tag or decal on the rear (or, if only one registration plate is issued for the vehicle, the front) registration plate in the manner directed by DOT.

This bill provides that DOT may issue two insert tags or decals for each registration plate it has issued for a vehicle in lieu of issuing a new registration plate. One insert tag or decal shall specify the month of registration and be placed on the lower left-hand corner of the registration plate, and one insert tag or decal shall specify the year of registration and be placed on the lower right-hand corner of the registration plate. These changes do not apply if only one registration plate is issued for a vehicle.

Under current law, a person who operates a vehicle without displaying an insert tag or decal issued for that vehicle may be required to forfeit not more than \$200. This bill provides that a person who operates a vehicle with an insert tag or decal that has been placed on a registration plate in a location other than the location specified by this bill or directed by DOT may be required to forfeit not more than \$25.

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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:

1 **SECTION 1.** 341.13 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 341.13 (3) In lieu of issuing a new plate upon each renewal of registration of
3 a vehicle, the department may issue 2 insert tags, decals or other evidence of
4 registration per plate or, for a vehicle specified in s. 341.15 (1m) (b), one insert tag,
5 decal or other evidence of registration per vehicle to indicate the period of
6 registration. The Any tag, decal or other evidence of registration shall be provided
7 by the department and used only if the outstanding plate is in suitable condition for
8 further usage. A decal or tag shall be displayed as provided in s. 341.15 (1m).

9 **SECTION 2.** 341.15 (1m) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

10 341.15 (1m) (a) Except as provided in par. (b), any one registration decal or tag
11 issued by the department shall specify the month of registration and be placed on the
12 rear lower left-hand corner of each registration plate of the vehicle in the manner
13 directed by the department, and one registration decal or tag issued by the
14 department shall specify the year of registration and be placed on the lower
15 right-hand corner of each registration plate of the vehicle in the manner directed by
16 the department.

17 **SECTION 3.** 341.15 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

18 341.15 (4) Any person who operates a vehicle for which an insert tag or decal
19 issued by the department has not been placed on the registration plate of the vehicle
20 at the location specified under sub. (1m) (a) or directed by the department under sub.
21 (1m) (b) may be required to forfeit not more than \$25.

