## ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1, TO 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 731

January 17, 2002 – Offered by Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT *to create* 341.607 of the statutes; **relating to:** displaying, possessing, selling, or offering to sell a stolen registration plate or other evidence of registration and providing a penalty.

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

**Section 1.** 341.607 of the statutes is created to read:

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**341.607 Display, possession, or sale of a stolen registration plate or other evidence of registration. (1)** Notwithstanding s. 341.605, any person who displays a stolen registration plate, insert tag, decal, or other evidence of registration on a motor vehicle or possesses, sells, or offers for sale a stolen registration plate, insert tag, decal, or other evidence of registration may be fined not more than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than 9 months or both. Each violation of this subsection constitutes a separate offense.

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<b>(2)</b> It is an affirmative defense to a prosecution for a violation of sub. (1) if the
defendant did not know, and in the exercise of reasonable care, could not have known,
that the registration plate, insert tag, decal, or other evidence of registration was
stolen. A defendant who raises this affirmative defense has the burden of proving
this defense by clear, satisfactory, and convincing evidence.

6 (END)