February 5, 2004 - Introduced by Representatives AINSWORTH, ALBERS, HAHN, HINES, HUNDERTMARK, KESTELL, MUSSER, NASS, OLSEN, OTT, SERATTI and VAN ROY, cosponsored by Senators LEIBHAM, COWLES, A. LASEE, LASSA and REYNOLDS. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT to amend 343.11 (2) of the statutes; relating to: issuance of operators’ licenses to persons previously licensed in another state.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who holds a valid motor vehicle operator’s license issued by another state or jurisdiction must surrender this out-of-state operator’s license to the Department of Transportation (DOT) prior to issuance by DOT of a Wisconsin operator’s license. Within 30 days after application to DOT, DOT must return any out-of-state license to the state of issuance, together with information that the applicant is now licensed in this state or has been refused a license by this state, as applicable.

This bill requires that, in lieu of returning an out-of-state license to the state of issuance, DOT must, within 30 days following a person’s licensure in this state, destroy any surrendered license and report to the state of issuance that the person is now licensed in this state.

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:

SECTION 1. 343.11 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
343.11 (2) Upon the expiration of Within 30 days following the application licensure in this state, the department shall return destroy all surrendered licenses and report to the issuing department together with information jurisdiction that the licensee is now licensed in this state or has been refused a license by this state, whichever the case may be.

SECTION 2. Initial applicability.

(1) This act first applies to persons licensed by the department of transportation on the effective date of this subsection.

(END)