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## 2007-09 Budget Bill Statutory Language Drafting Request

- Topic: Motor Vehicle Registration Fee Increase
- Tracking Codes: BB0176
- SBO team: Environmental and Commercial Resources
- SBO analyst: Sara Kornely
  - Phone: 266-1039
  - Email: sara.kornely@wisconsin.gov
- Agency acronym: DOT
- Agency number: 395
- Priority (Low, Medium, High): High

**Department of Transportation  
2007-2009 Biennial Budget Request  
STATUTORY MODIFICATIONS**

**TOPIC:** Increase Motor Vehicle Registration Fees

**DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE:**

Amend s. 341.25(1)(a) Wis. Stats., to increase the annual registration fee for automobiles from \$55.00 to \$80.00. Amend s. 341.25(1)(c) Wis. Stats., as related to the registration fee table in s. 341.25(2) Wis. Stats., to increase the annual registration fee charged for vehicles with a gross weight of not more than 4,500 pounds from \$48.50 to \$80.00, for vehicles with a gross weight of not more than 6,000 pounds from \$61.50 to \$89.00, and for vehicles with a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds from \$77.50 to \$112.00.

The effective date of this change is the registration period beginning October 1, 2007.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

The proposed changes in registration fees for automobiles and light motor trucks with a gross vehicle weight of less than 8,000 pounds addresses issues associated with the current registration fee structure. In addition, the fee changes provide additional revenue to the Department to fund critical transportation needs.

The Department is requesting an increase in annual registration fees for passenger vehicles (automobiles, sport utility vehicles, and vans) and light trucks to address critical transportation priorities. Annual registration fees for passenger vehicles are established in s. 341.25(1)(a) Wis. Stats. as a flat amount regardless of size, weight, or value. Fees for light trucks, typically pick-ups, are established in s. 341.25(1)(c) Wis. Stats., and are assigned a fee based on the gross vehicle weight rating of the vehicle.

The Department's Division of Motor Vehicles charges an annual fee to register vehicles in Wisconsin. These revenues fund a variety of transportation needs ranging from debt service, the development of state and local transportation facilities, aids to local governments, to Department operations. Registration revenues are one of several sources of revenue deposited into the Transportation Fund. While the fund supports a broad range of transportation programs, Wisconsin faces significant transportation challenges next biennium, including:

- \$182 million necessary to continue work on Interstate 94 from Milwaukee to the Illinois state line;
- \$67 million necessary to adequately maintain the State Trunk Highway system;
- \$27 million to provide inflationary increases for local aid programs; and
- \$20.7 million for costs associated with implementing the federally required REAL ID Act of 2005.

In addition to these initiatives, rising fuel and utility costs have made it more expensive to maintain current levels of service department-wide. As demands for transportation funding have increased, revenue growth has not kept pace. As a result, the Department is proposing a registration fee increase for certain vehicles.

This proposal also corrects a fee disparity between passenger vehicles and A-plated light trucks. Historically, registration fees on non-farm trucks on the gross vehicle weight schedule have been higher than those for passenger vehicles. However, 2003 Wisconsin Act 33 increased annual passenger vehicle registration fees from \$45.00 to \$55.00 starting on October 1, 2003. As a result, passenger vehicle registration fees are now greater than that paid for A-plated pick-up trucks.

It is difficult to develop a rationale as to why A-plated truck registration fees should be less than those paid for passenger vehicles. Consequently the Department proposes that registration fees for A-plated trucks on the gross weight schedule should be at least equivalent to the fee on passenger vehicles.

Due to information technology programming and customer notification process changes necessary to implement the higher fee, the Department assumes this fee increase will become effective on October 1, 2007.

**Balinsky, Brett**

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**To:** Gary, Aaron

**Subject:** RE: LRB Draft: 07-0982/P1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees

**From:** Kornely, Sara - DOA

**Sent:** Sunday, January 14, 2007 1:28 PM

**To:** Gary, Aaron

**Subject:** FW: LRB Draft: 07-0982/P1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees

Hi Aaron -

We will not be doing the same level of increase to registration fees as DOT requested. Therefore, we need a few changes to the attached draft.

- s. 341.25(1)(a) - \$80 should be \$70
- s. 341.25(2)(a) - \$80 should be \$70
- s. 341.25(2)(b) - \$89 should be \$78
- s. 341.25(2)(c) - \$112 should be \$99

Any questions, please let me know - thanks!

- Sara

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**From:** Schlueter, Ron [mailto:Ron.Schlueter@legis.wisconsin.gov]

**Sent:** Thu 12/7/2006 1:51 PM

**To:** Kornely, Sara - DOA

**Cc:** Grinde, Kirsten - DOA; Hanaman, Cathlene - LEGIS; Palchik, Laurie A - DOA

**Subject:** LRB Draft: 07-0982/P1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees

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✓TRANSPORTATION

DRIVERS AND MOTOR VEHICLES

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This bill increases the annual fee for registering an automobile from \$55 to \$80 ✓ and changes the annual fee for registering a motor truck or dual purpose motor home that weighs not more than 4,500 pounds from \$48.50 to \$80, ✓ for a vehicle that weighs not more than 6,000 pounds from \$61.50 to \$89, ✓ and for a vehicle that weighs not more than 8,000 pounds from \$77.50 to \$112. ✓

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

2 SECTION 1. 341.25 (1) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:



1 341.25 (1) (a) For each automobile, a fee of \$55 ~~\$80~~, except that an automobile  
2 registered in this state prior to September 1, 1947, at a fee of less than \$18 shall be  
3 registered at such lesser fee plus an additional fee of \$2.

**History:** 1973 c. 67, 90, 270, 333; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 136; 1977 c. 29 ss. 1422m to 1430, 1654 (7) (a); 1977 c. 288, 418; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 20; 1983 a. 175, 243; 1985 a. 65; 1985 a. 208 ss. 7, 8, 11; 1987 a. 212, 403; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 80, 142; 2003 a. 33.

4 SECTION 2. 341.25 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

5 341.25 (2) (a) Not more than 4,500 ..... \$ ~~48.50~~ 60.00

**History:** 1973 c. 67, 90, 270, 333; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 136; 1977 c. 29 ss. 1422m to 1430, 1654 (7) (a); 1977 c. 288, 418; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 20; 1983 a. 175, 243; 1985 a. 65; 1985 a. 208 ss. 7, 8, 11; 1987 a. 212, 403; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 80, 142; 2003 a. 33.

6 SECTION 3. 341.25 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 341.25 (2) (b) Not more than 6,000 ..... ~~61.50~~ 89.00

**History:** 1973 c. 67, 90, 270, 333; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 136; 1977 c. 29 ss. 1422m to 1430, 1654 (7) (a); 1977 c. 288, 418; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 20; 1983 a. 175, 243; 1985 a. 65; 1985 a. 208 ss. 7, 8, 11; 1987 a. 212, 403; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 80, 142; 2003 a. 33.

8 SECTION 4. 341.25 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

9 341.25 (2) (c) Not more than 8,000 ..... ~~77.50~~ 112.00

**History:** 1973 c. 67, 90, 270, 333; 1975 c. 39 s. 734; 1975 c. 136; 1977 c. 29 ss. 1422m to 1430, 1654 (7) (a); 1977 c. 288, 418; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 20; 1983 a. 175, 243; 1985 a. 65; 1985 a. 208 ss. 7, 8, 11; 1987 a. 212, 403; 1989 a. 31; 1991 a. 39; 1997 a. 27; 1999 a. 9, 80, 142; 2003 a. 33.

10 SECTION 9448. **Effective dates; transportation**

11 (1) REGISTRATION FEES. The treatment of sections 341.25 (1) (a) and ~~341.25~~ (2)

12 (a), (b) and (c) of the statutes takes effect on October 1, 2007, or the day after  
13 publication, whichever is later.

14 (END)



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7 341.25 (2) (b) Not more than 6,000 ..... 61.50 ~~89.00~~

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13 whichever is later.

14 (END)

**Balinsky, Brett**

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**From:** Gary, Aaron  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2007 3:44 PM  
**To:** Balinsky, Brett  
**Subject:** FW: LRB Draft: 07-0982/1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees  
**Attachments:** 07-0982/1

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**From:** Kornely, Sara - DOA  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2007 3:37 PM  
**To:** Gary, Aaron  
**Subject:** FW: LRB Draft: 07-0982/1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees

Hi Aaron –

More changes! We would like the increase on the reg fees to be \$20, so it would go something like this: autos at \$75, A-plate trucks at \$75, B-plate trucks at \$84, and C-plate trucks at \$106.

Any questions, let me know – thanks!

Sara Kornely  
Dept. of Administration  
608-266-1039

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**From:** Schlueter, Ron [mailto:Ron.Schlueter@legis.wisconsin.gov]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, January 16, 2007 2:39 PM  
**To:** Kornely, Sara - DOA  
**Cc:** Grinde, Kirsten - DOA; Hanaman, Cathlene - LEGIS; Palchik, Laurie A - DOA  
**Subject:** LRB Draft: 07-0982/1 Increase motor vehicle registration fees

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This bill increases the annual fee for registering an automobile from \$55 to ~~\$70~~ \$75 and changes the annual fee for registering a motor truck or dual purpose motor home that weighs not more than 4,500 pounds from \$48.50 to ~~\$70~~ \$75, for a vehicle that weighs not more than 6,000 pounds from \$61.50 to ~~\$75~~ \$75, and for a vehicle that weighs not more than 8,000 pounds from \$77.50 to ~~\$90~~ \$106. *STAY \$75*

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6 SECTION 3. 341.25 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

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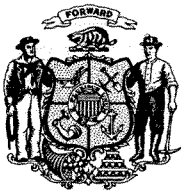
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5 341.25 (2) (a) Not more than 4,500 . . . . . \$ ~~48.50~~ 75.00

6 **SECTION 3.** 341.25 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

7 341.25 (2) (b) Not more than 6,000 . . . . . ~~61.50~~ 84.00

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