

DRAFTER'S NOTE
FROM THE
LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

LRB-2122/P1dn
BAB:wlj:sh

April 5, 2007

ATTN: Vincent Williams

The attached draft has been prepared in preliminary form. Please review the draft carefully to ensure that it is consistent with your intent.

As you have instructed, I have prepared the draft to provide funding for a nonprofit organization, the Wisconsin Coalition on Donation (coalition), that appears to have been created relatively recently. I searched for the coalition on the Department of Financial Institutions' corporate information Web site, but it was not listed on the site at all; the coalition may need to be registered with DFI as a nonstock corporation if it is to receive funds collected under created s. 85.109. I have included a provision in the draft precluding DOT from making payments until the coalition is properly formed and operational and has obtained tax exempt status under section 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Is that acceptable? There are certain details in the draft that you may want to change, including the description of the purpose for which funds are provided to the coalition in created ss. 85.109 (1) and 341.14 (6r) (f) 58. of the draft and the amount of the additional fee under created s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 11. The draft also includes customary provisions relating to accountability for funds provided to the coalition. I have included an appropriation increase to DOT to provide funds associated with these special plates and a nonstatutory provision to ensure that this increase is a one-time increase. Do you want to specify any word or symbol associated with the coalition that should appear on the plate?

Under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 11., there will be a \$25 fee for issuing the special group plates. This \$25 fee will not be deposited into the veterans trust fund under s. 341.14 (6r) (b) 9. because this plate is not a military plate. Is that acceptable?

Current law requires DOT to establish new designs for most vehicle registration plates, including most special plates, every ten years and to issue the new plates on a rolling basis as vehicle registrations are renewed by the vehicle owners. For most special plates, the plate design cycle began on July 1, 2000, and a new plate design cycle begins on July 1, 2010. Accordingly, this plate will be redesigned again in 2010. Is that acceptable to you?

Brett A. Balinsky
Legislative Attorney
Phone: (608) 267-7380
E-mail: brett.balinsky@legis.wisconsin.gov