2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 595

November 29, 2007 – Introduced by Law Revision Committee. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 342.06 (1) (em) of the statutes; **relating to:** certificates of title
- 2 for vehicles that have been damaged by hail (suggested as remedial legislation
- 3 by the Department of Transportation).

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, if a vehicle has been damaged by hail, the Department of Transportation (DOT) is required to note the damage on the vehicle's certificate of title. This bill requires the applicant for a certificate of title to provide evidence that is required by DOT to determine whether the vehicle had been damaged by hail.

For further information, see the Notes provided by the Law Revision Committee of the Joint Legislative Council.

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

Law Revision Committee Prefatory Note: This bill is a remedial legislation proposal, requested by the Department of Transportation and introduced by the Law Revision Committee under s. 13.83 (1) (c) 4., stats. After careful consideration of the various provisions of the bill, the Law Revision Committee has determined that this bill makes minor substantive changes in the statutes, and that these changes are desirable as a matter of public policy.

SECTION 1. 342.06 (1) (em) of the statutes is amended to read:

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- 1 342.06 (1) (em) Any further evidence which may reasonably be required by the
- department to enable it to determine whether any of the information specified in s.
- 3 342.10 (3) (c) to (g) (h) may be applicable to the vehicle.

Note: The newly referenced paragraph, s. 342.10 (3) (h), stats., requires the Department of Transportation (DOT), before issuing a new or duplicate certificate of title for a motor vehicle to permanently record on the certificate, if applicable, that the vehicle was a hail–damaged vehicle. (The requirement does not apply to a hail–damaged vehicle that was repaired with a replacement part, as defined in s. 632.38 (1) (e), stats.) The requirement was created by 2001 Wisconsin Act 109. Due to an apparent oversight, there was no requirement that a title applicant inform DOT concerning whether the vehicle was hail damaged.

4 (END)