

2007 SENATE BILL 511

February 19, 2008 – Introduced by Senators PLALE, LEHMAN, GROTHMAN and COWLES, cosponsored by Representatives HONADEL, KRUSICK, STONE, MURTHA, LOTHIAN, BALLWEG, ALBERS, TOWNSEND and ZEPNICK. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 340.01 (72) (a) and 341.47 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:**
2 registration plates for vehicle transporters.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who transports motor vehicles, trailers, semitrailers, or recreational vehicles, either by towing on the vehicles' own wheels or under the vehicles' own power, may register as a transporter with the Department of Transportation (DOT) and obtain special transporter registration plates. A transporter may tow or operate one of the designated types of vehicles without the vehicle being registered with DOT, provided the transporter displays valid transporter plates upon the vehicle and transports the vehicle between certain entities involved in the sale of such vehicles, including a dealer, a distributor, the manufacturer, or a branch of the manufacturer.

This bill allows a transporter, who is a 3rd party and has no ownership interest, to display transporter registration plates on a motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, or recreational vehicle being transported from a dealer, a distributor, the manufacturer, or a branch of the manufacturer to the purchaser of such vehicle, or from any location to a dealer, a distributor, the manufacturer, or a branch of the manufacturer.

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:

