

2009 ASSEMBLY BILL 82

February 24, 2009 – Introduced by Representatives TOWNSEND, BIES, BROOKS, GUNDERSON, MURSAU, A. OTT and SPANBAUER, cosponsored by Senator LAZICH. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 341.26 (2) (p) of the statutes; **relating to:** registration for
2 vehicles or trailers equipped with mobile emergency communication
3 equipment and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, most vehicles are registered annually with the Department of Transportation. The fee for registering an automobile is \$75 and the fee for registering most other vehicles is based on the vehicle's weight. However, certain vehicles may be registered for five years upon payment of a \$5 registration fee.

This bill allows a motor vehicle or trailer that is equipped with mobile emergency communication equipment, that is owned by an amateur radio organization, and that is used exclusively to provide or coordinate emergency communications to be registered for five years upon a payment of a \$5 registration fee.

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:

4 **SECTION 1.** 341.26 (2) (p) of the statutes is created to read:

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1 341.26 (2) (p) A motor vehicle or trailer equipped with mobile emergency
2 communication equipment that is owned by an organization of holders of unexpired
3 amateur radio licenses issued by the federal communications commission and is used
4 exclusively to provide or coordinate emergency communications.

5 **SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.**

6 (1) Notwithstanding section 16.42 (1) (e) of the statutes, if this subsection takes
7 effect in fiscal year 2010–11, in submitting information under section 16.42 of the
8 statutes for purposes of the 2011–13 biennial budget bill, the department of
9 transportation shall submit a dollar amount for the appropriation under section
10 20.395 (5) (cq) of the statutes that is \$10,200 less than the total amount appropriated
11 under section 20.395 (5) (cq) of the statutes for the 2010–11 fiscal year, before
12 submitting any information relating to any increase or decrease in the dollar amount
13 for that appropriation for the 2011–13 fiscal biennium.

14 **SECTION 3. Fiscal changes.**

15 (1) In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation
16 to the department of transportation under section 20.395 (5) (cq) of the statutes, as
17 affected by the acts of 2009, the dollar amount is increased by \$10,200 for the fiscal
18 year in which this subsection takes effect to provide funding for computer
19 modification and data processing costs associated with the change in registration
20 procedure for vehicles registered under section 341.26 (2) (p) of the statutes.

21 **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

22 (1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the day after
23 publication of the 2009–11 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

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(END)