



## 2011 SENATE BILL 215

October 5, 2011 – Introduced by Senators GALLOWAY and HOLPERIN, cosponsored by Representatives TIFFANY, WILLIAMS, NYGREN and VAN ROY. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Elections.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 341.25 (1) (g); and *to create* 341.25 (1) (gf) of the statutes;  
2 relating to: trailer or semitrailer registration.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, the fee that must be paid to the Department of Transportation for registering a motor truck is based upon the vehicle's weight. The fee for a vehicle weighing 12,000 pounds or less is \$209 and the fee for a vehicle weighing 16,000 pounds or less is \$283. A trailer or semitrailer not exceeding 12,000 pounds and designed to be hauled by a motor vehicle other than a truck tractor (trailer) may be registered for one-half of the fee prescribed for a motor truck of the same weight, but a trailer exceeding 12,000 pounds is registered for the same fee prescribed for a motor truck of the same weight.

This bill creates a registration category for trailers weighing more than 12,000 pounds but not more than 14,000 pounds that are designed to be hauled by a motor vehicle other than a truck tractor. These trailers may be registered for a fee that is one-half of the average of the fees prescribed for motor trucks weighing 12,000 pounds and 16,000 pounds, which, under current law, is a fee of \$123.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

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1           **SECTION 1.** 341.25 (1) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           341.25 (1) (g) For each trailer or semitrailer designed to be hauled by a motor  
3 vehicle other than a truck tractor and not coming within the provisions of par. (gd)  
4 or, (ge), or (gf) or s. 341.264, a fee which is equal to the fee prescribed for a motor truck  
5 of the same maximum gross weight. The maximum gross weight shall be determined  
6 in the same manner as for a motor truck.

7           **SECTION 2.** 341.25 (1) (gf) of the statutes is created to read:

8           341.25 (1) (gf) For each trailer or semitrailer having a gross weight of more  
9 than 12,000 pounds but not more than 14,000 pounds designed to be hauled by a  
10 motor vehicle other than a truck tractor and not coming within the provisions of s.  
11 341.264, a fee that is one-half of the average of the fees prescribed under sub. (2) (d)  
12 and (e). The maximum gross weight shall be determined in the same manner as for  
13 a motor truck.

14           **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

15           (1) This act first applies to applications for registration received by the  
16 department of transportation on the effective date of this subsection.

17           **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

18           (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after  
19 publication.

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(END)