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1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 344.62 (2), 344.64 (1), 344.64 (2) and 344.65 (1) (c) of the
2 statutes; **relating to:** proof of motor vehicle liability insurance.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 344.62 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 344.62 (2) Except as provided in s. 344.63, no person may operate a motor
5 vehicle upon a highway in this state unless the person, while operating the vehicle,
6 has in his or her immediate possession proof that he or she is in compliance with sub.
7 (1). The operator of the motor vehicle shall display the proof required under this
8 subsection upon demand from any traffic officer. The proof required under this
9 subsection may be produced in either printed or electronic format, including by
10 display of electronic images on a cellular telephone or other electronic device. If this

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1 proof is displayed in electronic format on any cellular telephone or other electronic
2 device, the traffic officer may not view, and producing proof in electronic format is not
3 considered consent for the traffic officer to view, any content on the telephone or other
4 device except the proof required under this subsection.

5 **SECTION 2.** 344.64 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

6 344.64 (1) Forge, falsify, counterfeit, or fraudulently alter any printed or
7 electronic proof of insurance, policy of insurance, or other insurance document or
8 electronic image, or possess any ~~forged, falsified, fictitious, counterfeit, or~~
9 ~~fraudulently altered~~ printed or electronic proof of insurance, policy of insurance, or
10 other insurance document or electronic image that is forged, falsified, fictitious,
11 counterfeit, or fraudulently altered.

12 **SECTION 3.** 344.64 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

13 344.64 (2) Represent that any printed or electronic proof of insurance, policy
14 of insurance, or other insurance document or electronic image is valid and in effect,
15 knowing or having reason to believe that the proof of insurance, policy of insurance,
16 or other insurance document or electronic image is not valid or not in effect.

17 **SECTION 4.** 344.65 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

18 344.65 (1) (c) No person charged with violating s. 344.62 (2) may be convicted
19 if the person produces proof that he or she was in compliance with s. 344.62 (1) at the
20 time the person was issued a uniform traffic citation for violating s. 344.62 (2). This
21 proof may be produced either at the time of the person's appearance in court in
22 response to the citation or in the office of the traffic officer issuing the citation. This
23 proof may be produced in either paper or electronic format, including by display of
24 electronic images on a cellular telephone or other electronic device. If this proof is
25 displayed in electronic format on any cellular telephone or other electronic device,

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1 the person to whom the proof is displayed may not view, and producing proof in
2 electronic format is not considered consent for the person to view, any content on the
3 telephone or other device except the proof required under s. 344.62 (2).

4 (END)