2021 SENATE BILL 356

May 25, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Larson, Roys, Carpenter and Smith, cosponsored by Representatives Snodgrass, Brostoff, Milroy, Hebl, Neubauer, Andraca, Shelton, Pope, Sinicki, Vruwink, Subeck, Anderson, Shankland, Emerson, Hesselbein, Spreitzer, Moore Omokunde and Vining. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Local Government.

AN ACT to repeal 341.25 (1) (L); and to create 341.25 (1) (m) of the statutes; relating to: registration surcharges for electric vehicles and vehicles over 4,500 pounds.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill eliminates the surcharges for registering electric automobiles and motor trucks and creates a surcharge of $5 for registering automobiles and motor trucks weighing over 4,500 pounds.

Under current law, a motor vehicle may not be operated upon a highway without a current, valid registration. In general, vehicles must be registered on an annual basis by payment of a specified fee to the Department of Transportation. For motor trucks and automobiles that are hybrid electric vehicles or nonhybrid electric vehicles, a surcharge of $75 and $100, respectively, is added to the annual 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:

SECTION 1. 341.25 (1) (L) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 2. 341.25 (1) (m) of the statutes is created to read:
341.25 (1) (m) If a motor truck or automobile has a gross weight of more than 4,500 pounds, in addition to the fee under par. (a) or (c), a surcharge of $5 shall be added to and collected with the fee for each automobile and motor truck.

**SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

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

(END)