



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Assembly Bill 754

Assembly Amendment 1

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The bill modifies the process and requirements for the Department of Transportation (DOT) to designate authorized special groups and issue special motor vehicle registration plates to group members.

The bill requires DOT to post notice on its Internet site of a group's application for designation as an authorized special group. The notice must identify the group applying for designation as an authorized special group and describe the process by which a person may object to this designation. Within 30 days after this notice, any person may object in writing to this designation. If a timely objection is made, DOT must refer the application to the Senate and Assembly standing committees for transportation matters for passive review. DOT may then designate the group as an authorized special group only if each standing committee, impliedly or expressly, approves the application under the passive review process. If no timely objection is made, DOT must designate the group as an authorized special group. The bill eliminates the current law criteria under which DOT designates a group as an authorized special group and requires DOT to make such a designation if no timely objection is made, but allows an objection to be based on these current law criteria.

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The amendment requires that DOT notify the standing committees of each house of the Legislature dealing with transportation matters of the identity of the group or organization applying for designation as an authorized special group at the same time DOT posts the same information on its website.

BILL HISTORY

Assembly Amendment 1 was introduced by Representative Danou on February 8, 2016. On February 11, 2016, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 5, and passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 14; Noes, 0.

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