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## **1997 ASSEMBLY BILL 630**

November 24, 1997 – Introduced by Representatives Huber, Dobyns, Krug, M. Lehman, Kreuser, Ladwig, Staskunas, Ott, Baumgart, Ainsworth, Hasenohrl, F. Lasee, Plouff, Zukowski, Bock, Seratti, Nass, Murat and Kaufert, cosponsored by Senators Decker, Burke, Roessler, Plache and Schultz. Referred to Committee on Highways and Transportation.

AN ACT to amend 341.08 (2) (c), 341.11 (1), 341.17 (2), 341.335 (title) and 341.335 (2); and to create 341.335 (1m) of the statutes; relating to: vehicle color and motor vehicle registration and providing a penalty.

#### Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, an applicant for registration of a motor vehicle must provide a description of the vehicle, including the vehicle's make, model and identification number. Current law requires the department of transportation (DOT) to compile a list of new automobiles and motor trucks being registered for the first time after purchase from a motor vehicle dealer.

This bill requires that the color of any vehicle having a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds be included in an application for vehicle registration. A vehicle registrant required to include the vehicle color in an application for registration must notify DOT within 10 days if the color of the vehicle is changed. The bill also requires that the vehicle color be included in a compiled registration list of new vehicles.

For further information see the *state and local* 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.** 341.08 (2) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1	341.08 (2) (c) A description of the vehicle, including make, model, <u>color</u> .
2	identification number and any other information which the department may
3	reasonably require for proper identification of the vehicle. <u>An application for a</u>
4	vehicle registered at a gross weight of more than 8,000 pounds is not required to
5	include the vehicle color in the description of the vehicle.
6	<b>SECTION 2.</b> 341.11 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
7	341.11 (1) Except as provided in sub. (2) the department upon registering a
8	vehicle shall issue and deliver to the owner a certificate of registration. The
9	certificate shall contain the name, residence and address of the owner, a brief
10	description of the vehicle, <u>including its color</u> ; the registration number assigned; and
11	the date of expiration of registration. The certificate shall be in such form and may
12	contain such additional information as the department deems advisable. $\underline{A}$
13	certificate for a vehicle registered at a gross weight of more than 8,000 pounds is not
14	required to include the vehicle color in the description of the vehicle.
15	<b>SECTION 3.</b> 341.17 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
16	341.17 (2) The department shall compile a list by counties of new automobile
17	and motor truck registrations. Registrations for other new vehicles may be included
18	if deemed necessary by the department. Such lists shall be compiled at such
19	intervals during the month as is deemed necessary by the department but the final
20	list compiled each month shall include the listing of the last day of the month. Such
21	list shall contain only those vehicles being registered for the first time after sale by
22	a dealer. Such list shall contain the name and address of the owner, the make, body
23	type, <u>and</u> identification number of the vehicle <u>;</u> the color of the vehicle, if the vehicle
24	is not registered at a gross weight of more than 8,000 pounds; the dealer license
25	number, if such dealer is registered in this state;; and the date of sale.

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1	<b>SECTION 4.</b> 341.335 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:
2	341.335 (title) Notice of change of address or name registration
3	information.
4	<b>SECTION 5.</b> 341.335 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:
5	341.335 (1m) Whenever the color of a motor vehicle registered in this state
6	changes from the color specified in an application for original or renewal registration,
7	the applicant or registrant shall, within 10 days after the color change, notify the
8	department in writing of the old and new vehicle color and of the registration plate
9	number for that vehicle. This subsection does not apply to any owner of a motor
10	vehicle registered at a gross weight of more than 8,000 pounds.
11	<b>SECTION 6.</b> 341.335 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:
12	341.335 (2) Any person who fails to comply with any of the requirements of sub.
13	(1) <u>or (1m)</u> may be required to forfeit not more than \$50.
14	SECTION 7. Initial applicability.
15	(1) This act first applies to applications for registration of vehicles filed on the
16	effective date of this subsection.
17	SECTION 8. Effective date.
18	(1) This act takes effect on January 1, 1998, or on the first day of the 4th month
19	beginning after publication, whichever is later.