



## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 68

February 1, 2005 – Introduced by Representatives KRUSICK, GARD, GOTTLIEB, HINES, JESKEWITZ, KESTELL, KREIBICH, LEHMAN, NELSON, OTT, PETROWSKI, PETTIS, SEIDEL, STASKUNAS, STONE, VOS and ZEPNICK, cosponsored by Senators HARSDFORF, CARPENTER, A. LASEE, LASSA, LEIBHAM, OLSEN, ROESSLER, WIRCH and TAYLOR, by request of Wisconsin Counties Association, League of Wisconsin Municipalities and Wisconsin Alliance of Cities. Referred to Committee on Government Operations and Spending Limitations.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 71.935 (2), 85.103 (6), 342.06 (1) (intro.), 342.06 (1) (eg),  
2             343.027, 343.14 (1) and 343.14 (2j) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** disclosing  
3             information obtained by the Department of Transportation to the Department  
4             of Revenue.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, the Department of Transportation (DOT) obtains social security numbers from driver's license and vehicle title applications and may not disclose such social security numbers except to the Department of Workforce Development for the purpose of administering the laws related to child and spousal support. In addition, DOT may only disclose a signature that it obtains from a driver's license application to the person to whom the signature relates.

Under the bill, generally, DOT may disclose information that it obtains from driver's license and vehicle title applications, including social security numbers and signatures, to the Department of Revenue for the purpose of administering state taxes.

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:***

**ASSEMBLY BILL 68****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 71.935 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           71.935 (2) A municipality or county may certify to the department any debt  
3 owed to it. Not later than 5 days after certification, the municipality or county shall  
4 notify the debtor in writing of its certification of the debt to the department, of the  
5 basis of the certification and of the debtor's right to appeal and, in the case of parking  
6 citations, of the debtor's right to contest the citation. At the time of certification, the  
7 municipality or county shall furnish to the department the name and social security  
8 number or operator's license number of each individual debtor and the name and  
9 federal employer identification number of each other debtor.

10           **SECTION 2.** 85.103 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

11           85.103 (6) The department may disclose the personal identifier of any person  
12 who has made a designation under sub. (2) or (3) if the department discloses the  
13 personal identifier under s. 341.17 (9), 342.06, 343.027, 343.14, 343.234, 343.235,  
14 343.24 (3) and (4), or 343.245 (3m).

15           **SECTION 3.** 342.06 (1) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

16           342.06 (1) (intro.) An application for a certificate of title shall be made to the  
17 department upon a form or in an automated format prescribed by it and shall be  
18 accompanied by the required fee and any applicable taxes. Information obtained by  
19 the department under this subsection shall be provided to the department of revenue  
20 for the sole purpose of administering state taxes. Each application for certificate of  
21 title shall include the following information:

22           **SECTION 4.** 342.06 (1) (eg) of the statutes is amended to read:

23           342.06 (1) (eg) Except as provided in par. (eh), if the applicant is an individual,  
24 the social security number of the applicant. The department of transportation may  
25 not disclose a social security number obtained under this paragraph to any person

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1       except to the department of workforce development for the sole purpose of  
2       administering s. 49.22 and to the department of revenue for the sole purpose of  
3       administering state taxes.

4               **SECTION 5.** 343.027 of the statutes is amended to read:

5               **343.027 Confidentiality of signatures.** Any signature collected under this  
6       chapter may be maintained by the department and shall be kept confidential.—The,  
7       except that the department may release a signature or a facsimile of a signature only  
8       to the department of revenue for the purpose of investigating allegations of tax fraud  
9       or to the person to whom the signature relates.

10              **SECTION 6.** 343.14 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

11              343.14 (1) Every application to the department for a license or identification  
12       card or for renewal thereof shall be made upon the appropriate form furnished by the  
13       department and shall be accompanied by the required fee. Names, addresses, license  
14       numbers, and social security numbers obtained by the department under this  
15       subsection shall be provided to the department of revenue for the purpose of  
16       administering setoffs under ss. 71.93 and 71.935 and state taxes.

17              **SECTION 7.** 343.14 (2j) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

18              343.14 (2j) (b) Except as otherwise required to administer and enforce this  
19       chapter, the department of transportation may not disclose a social security number  
20       obtained from an applicant for a license under sub. (2) (bm) to any person except to  
21       the department of workforce development for the sole purpose of administering s.  
22       49.22 or to the department of revenue for the purpose of administering setoffs under  
23       ss. 71.93 and 71.935 and state taxes.

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