

State of Misconsin 2005 - 2006 LEGISLATURE

2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 825

November 14, 2005 - Introduced by Representatives MUSSER, PETROWSKI, M. WILLIAMS, NISCHKE, GUNDRUM, SHERIDAN, PETTIS, TRAVIS, SUDER, ALBERS, HAHN, OWENS, LOTHIAN, LEHMAN, HINES, MCCORMICK, BIES and OTT, cosponsored by Senators ROESSLER, KAPANKE, BROWN and GROTHMAN. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 341.14 (8); and to create 341.14 (8) (b) and 1 2

341.14 (8) (c) of the statutes; relating to: specialized registration plates for

surviving spouses.

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Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a person who is affiliated with a branch of the armed services or has another military affiliation may receive a specialized vehicle registration plate that reflects the person's affiliation. Upon the person's death, his or her surviving spouse may request the Department of Transportation (DOT) to permit the spouse to retain the plate.

Under this bill, the surviving spouse may also request that the plate be personalized, modify any personalization on the plate, or request that a personalized plate be replaced with a regular plate. As under current law for other personalized registration plates, a surviving spouse pays a \$15 fee for personalizing plates or modifying the existing personalization, in addition to the costs of registering his or her vehicle.

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:

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1	SECTION 1. 341.14 (8) of the statutes is renumbered 341.14 (8) (a) and amended
2	to read:

3 341.14 (8) (a) If a special plate for a group associated with a branch of the armed 4 services or otherwise military in nature has been issued to a person under this $\mathbf{5}$ section, upon application by the surviving spouse of the person, the department may 6 permit the surviving spouse to retain the plate. If the plate has been returned to the 7 department or surrendered to another state, the department may reissue the plate 8 to the surviving spouse. The department shall charge an additional fee of \$15 to 9 reissue the plate. This subsection does not apply to a special plate issued under s. 10 341.14 (1) or (1r).

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SECTION 2. 341.14 (8) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

341.14 (8) (b) For a plate retained under this subsection, upon request of the
surviving spouse, the department may change the plate from a personalized plate to
a standard plate. Upon request of a surviving spouse and upon payment of the
additional fee under s. 341.145 (3), the department may personalize the plate or
modify any existing personalization to the plate.

17 **SECTION 3.** 341.14 (8) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

341.14 (8) (c) This subsection does not apply to a special plate issued under s.
341.14 (1) or (1r).

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(END)