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2025 SENATE BILL 365

July 9, 2025 - Introduced by Senators HUTTON, NASS and TOMCZYK, cosponsored by Representatives BEHNKE, DITTRICH, GUSTAFSON, JOERS, KNODL, MAXEY, MURPHY, O'CONNOR, PIWOWARCZYK, STEFFEN and WICHGERS. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Local Government.

1 **AN ACT** *to repeal* 341.308; *to renumber and amend* 341.147 (1); *to amend*
2 25.40 (1) (a) 3., 84.59 (2) (b), 341.147 (2), 341.25 (1) (gd) and 341.25 (1) (ge); *to*
3 **create** 341.147 (1) (a), 341.147 (1) (b), 341.147 (1) (c) and 341.147 (1m) of the
4 statutes; **relating to:** fleet registration of certain motor vehicles.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, an owner of a fleet of 10 or more automobiles or motor trucks with a gross weight of not more than 8,000 pounds may register the vehicles as a fleet. This bill allows 10 or more of any combination of the following, with some exceptions, to be registered as a fleet:

1. Motor trucks with a gross weight of between 8,001 and 54,000 pounds.
2. Truck tractors or road tractors with a gross weight of between 4,500 and 54,000 pounds.
3. Trailers with a gross weight of not more than 80,000 pounds.

Vehicles registered as a fleet are subject to the same annual registration fee as regularly applies to the type of vehicle, plus a onetime initial issuance fee of \$8.50 for each vehicle. The Department of Transportation must provide, to the extent feasible, all vehicles registered as part of a particular fleet with the same registration expiration date.

Under current law, for fleet vehicles DOT must issue registration plates of a

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distinctive design with the word “Fleet” embossed on the plate. The bill eliminates the requirement that the word be embossed.

The bill also eliminates a provision in current law allowing for fleet registration of a fleet of 100 or more trailers.

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. 25.40 (1) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:

25.40 (1) (a) 3. Revenues collected under ss. 341.09 (2) (d), (2m) (a) 1., (4), and (7), 341.14 (2), (2m), (6) (d), (6m) (a), (6r) (b) 2., (6w), and (8), 341.145 (3), 341.147 (3), 341.16 (1) (a) and (b), (2), (2e), and (2m), 341.17 (8), 341.19 (1), 341.25, 341.255 (1), (2) (a), (b), and (c), and (5), 341.26 (1), (2), (2m) (am) and (b), (3), (3m), (4), (5), and (7), 341.264 (1), 341.265 (1), 341.266 (2) (b) and (3), 341.268 (2) (b) and (3), 341.269 (2) (b), 341.30 (3), 341.305 (3), ~~341.308 (3)~~, 341.36 (1) and (1m), 341.51 (2), and 342.14 that are pledged to any fund created under s. 84.59 (2).

SECTION 2. 84.59 (2) (b) of the statutes is amended to read:

84.59 (2) (b) The department may, under s. 18.562, deposit in a separate and distinct special fund outside the state treasury, in an account maintained by a trustee, revenues derived under ss. 341.09 (2) (d), (2m) (a) 1., (4), and (7), 341.14 (2), (2m), (6) (d), (6m) (a), (6r) (b) 2., (6w), and (8), 341.145 (3), 341.147 (3), 341.16 (1) (a) and (b), (2), (2e), and (2m), 341.17 (8), 341.19 (1), 341.25, 341.255 (1), (2) (a), (b), and (c), and (5), 341.26 (1), (2), (2m) (am) and (b), (3), (3m), (4), (5), and (7), 341.264 (1), 341.265 (1), 341.266 (2) (b) and (3), 341.268 (2) (b) and (3), 341.269 (2) (b), 341.30 (3), 341.305 (3), ~~341.308 (3)~~, 341.36 (1) and (1m), 341.51 (2), and 342.14 and from any payments received with respect to agreements or ancillary arrangements

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1 entered into under s. 18.55 (6) with respect to revenue obligations issued under this
2 section. The revenues deposited are the trustee's revenues in accordance with the
3 agreement between this state and the trustee or in accordance with the resolution
4 pledging the revenues to the repayment of revenue obligations issued under this
5 section. Revenue obligations issued for the purposes specified in sub. (1) and for the
6 repayment of which revenues are deposited under this paragraph are special fund
7 obligations, as defined in s. 18.52 (7), issued for special fund programs, as defined in
8 s. 18.52 (8).

9 **SECTION 3.** 341.147 (1) of the statutes is renumbered 341.147 (1) (intro.) and
10 amended to read:

11 341.147 (1) (intro.) The Subject to sub. (1m), the owner of a fleet of 10 or more
12 vehicles that are automobiles or motor trucks with a gross weight of not more than
13 8,000 pounds or that are a combination of any of the following may upon application
14 register the fleet of vehicles under this section-;

15 **SECTION 4.** 341.147 (1) (a) of the statutes is created to read:

16 341.147 (1) (a) Motor trucks with a gross weight of not less than 8,001 pounds
17 nor more than 54,000 pounds.

18 **SECTION 5.** 341.147 (1) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

19 341.147 (1) (b) Truck tractors or road tractors with a gross weight of not less
20 than 4,500 pounds nor more than 54,000 pounds.

21 **SECTION 6.** 341.147 (1) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

22 341.147 (1) (c) Trailers with a gross weight of not more than 80,000 pounds.

23 **SECTION 7.** 341.147 (1m) of the statutes is created to read:

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1 341.147 (1m) No vehicle registered under s. 341.264, 341.30, or 341.305 or
2 that may be registered under s. 341.26 may be registered under this section.

3 **SECTION 8.** 341.147 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

4 341.147 (2) Upon receipt of an application and the initial registration fees, the
5 department shall issue registration plates of a distinctive design with the word
6 “Fleet” ~~embossed~~ displayed on the plate for all of the vehicles in the fleet.
7 Notwithstanding s. 341.13 (1), the department may not require the placement of an
8 annual registration decal on a registration plate under this subsection. The
9 department shall provide, to the extent feasible, the same registration expiration
10 date for each vehicle in a fleet. A vehicle may be registered as part of a fleet under
11 this section regardless of whether, at the time of application for the initial
12 registration of the fleet, the vehicle is currently registered with the department.

13 **SECTION 9.** 341.25 (1) (gd) of the statutes is amended to read:

14 341.25 (1) (gd) For each trailer or semitrailer having a gross weight of 3,000
15 pounds or less and used for hire or rental, a fee which is one-half of the fee
16 prescribed for a motor truck of the same maximum gross weight. The maximum
17 gross weight shall be determined in the same manner as for a motor truck. ~~A trailer~~
18 ~~under this paragraph which is part of a fleet of 100 or more trailers used for hire or~~
19 ~~rental may be registered under s. 341.308.~~

20 **SECTION 10.** 341.25 (1) (ge) of the statutes is amended to read:

21 341.25 (1) (ge) For each trailer or semitrailer having a gross weight of more
22 than 3,000 pounds but not more than 12,000 pounds designed to be hauled by a
23 motor vehicle other than a truck tractor and not coming within the provisions of s.
24 341.264, a fee which is one-half of the fee prescribed for a motor truck of the same

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1 maximum gross weight. The maximum gross weight shall be determined in the
2 same manner as for a motor truck. ~~A trailer under this paragraph having a gross~~
3 ~~weight of 4,500 pounds or less and used for hire or rental and which is part of a fleet~~
4 ~~of 100 or more trailers used for hire or rental may be registered under s. 341.308.~~

5 **SECTION 11.** 341.308 of the statutes is repealed.

6 **SECTION 12. Effective date.**

7 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 10th month beginning after
8 publication.

9 (END)