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**Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation**

**Clearinghouse Rule 05-024**

Relating to the convenience fee for telephone vehicle registration renewal.

Submitted by Department of Transportation.

April 27, 2005        Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

June 16, 2005        **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present:    (5)     Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirch and  
                        Breske.

Absent:     (0)     None.

Appearances For

- Allyn Lepeska — WI Department of Transportation

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- None.

Registrations Against

- None.

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Absent:     (0)     None.

Moved by Senator Breske, seconded by Senator Kapanke that  
**Clearinghouse Rule 05-024** be recommended for modifications  
requested.

Ayes:    (5)     Senators Kedzie, Stepp, Kapanke, Wirch and  
                        Breske.

Noes:    (0)     None.

MODIFICATIONS REQUESTED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5,  
Noes 0

July 20, 2005

MODIFICATIONS RECEIVED FROM THE AGENCY, Pursuant  
to s. 227.19 (4)(b) 2., Wis. Stats..

August 3, 2005

No action taken.

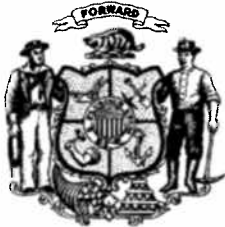
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Matt Phillips  
Committee Clerk





# WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





## Wisconsin Department of Transportation

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The Honorable Senator Neal Kedzie  
Chairman, Senate Transportation Committee  
Room 313 South  
State Capitol  
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

April 25, 2005

The Honorable Representative John Ainsworth  
Chairman, Assembly Transportation Committee  
Room 309 North, State Capitol  
Madison, Wisconsin 53702

RE: Proposed Administrative Rule **TRANS 196**  
Notification of Legislative Standing Committees  
**CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 05-024**

Dear Senator Leibham and Representative Ainsworth:

In accordance with the Department of Transportation's efforts to keep you informed of its ongoing rule making actions, enclosed is a courtesy copy of Final Draft rule **Trans 196**, relating to the **convenience fee for telephone vehicle registration renewal**, which is being submitted to the Legislature for committee review.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie A. Johnson".

Julie A. Johnson  
Paralegal

JAJ/dim

Enclosure

cc: Lynne B. Judd  
Carson Frazier

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**CR 05-024**

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The Wisconsin Department of Transportation proposes an order to amend TRANS 196.04(1)(a) to (d), relating to the convenience fee for telephone vehicle registration renewal

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**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
ON THE FINAL RULE DRAFT**

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This report is submitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and Assembly for referral to the appropriate standing committees. The report consists of the following parts:

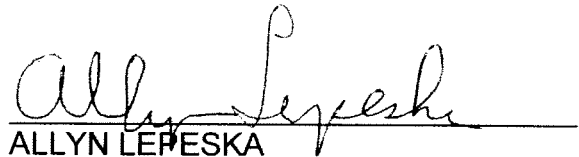
Part 1--Analysis prepared by the Department of Transportation.

Part 2--Rule text in final draft form.

Part 3--Recommendations of the Legislative Council.

Part 4--Analysis prepared pursuant to the provisions of s. 227.19(3), Stats.

Submitted by:



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## **PART 1**

### **Analysis Prepared by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation**

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY:** ss. 85.16, 227.11(2)(a), 341.255 and 342.14(7), Stats.

**STATUTES INTERPRETED:** ss. 341.255 and 342.14(7), Stats.

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**Effect on Small Business and, If Applicable, Any Analysis and Supporting Documentation Used to Determine Effect on Small Businesses:** The Department of Transportation anticipates that this rule making will have no direct adverse effect on small businesses. This rule making establishes no additional compliance, bookkeeping, or reporting requirements for small businesses. You may contact the Department's small business regulatory coordinator by phone at (608) 267-3703, or via e-mail at [julie.johnson@dot.state.wi.us](mailto:julie.johnson@dot.state.wi.us).

**Fiscal Effect and Anticipated Costs Incurred by Private Sector:** The Department of Transportation estimates that there will be no fiscal impact on the liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, vocational, technical and adult education district, sewerage district, or federally-recognized tribes or bands. The Department estimates there will be a \$90,500 increase in revenue to the Transportation Fund annually, as a result of increasing fast service fees. No added costs will be incurred by the private sector to comply with this rule. Fast service is an optional service similar to in-person service, and use of fast service is voluntary similar to in-person service. Fast service is not required of any customer. The proposed rule establishes no additional compliance, bookkeeping, or reporting requirements of any customer.

**Copies of Proposed Rule:** Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained, without cost, by writing to Carson P. Frazier, Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles, Bureau of Vehicle Services, Room 253 Hill Farms, P.O. Box 7911, Madison WI 53707-7911. You may also contact Ms. Frazier by phone at (608) 266-7857.

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**PART 2**  
**TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE**

**SECTION 1.** Trans 196.04(1)(a) to (d) are amended to read:

Trans 196.04(1)(a) For processing an application for a certificate of title, \$4 5.

(b) For processing an application for a combination of certificate of title and registration, \$4 5.

(c) For processing an application for registration only, \$2 3.

(d) For the payment of fees through a special department telephone and internet registration service, \$2.50 per transaction a fee per transaction to be determined by the department annually to approximate the cost to the department for providing the transaction. In determining the fee per transaction for the current year, the department shall review, from the previous year, the total cost of the service, the number of transactions, and other material factors. The current fee shall be published on the department's internet web site and on the department's telephone interactive voice response system and on all vehicle registration renewal notices that are eligible to use the internet or telephone renewal service.


**NOTE: The internet web site is <http://www.dot.state.wi.us/drivers/index.htm>.**

**(END OF RULE TEXT)**

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**Effective Date.** This rule shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register as provided in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2005.

  
FRANK J. FUSALACCHI  
Secretary  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation



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**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL  
RULES CLEARINGHOUSE**

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**PART 3  
CLEARINGHOUSE REPORT TO AGENCY**

[THIS REPORT HAS BEEN PREPARED PURSUANT TO S. 227.15, STATS. THIS IS A REPORT ON A RULE AS ORIGINALLY PROPOSED BY THE AGENCY; THE REPORT MAY NOT REFLECT THE FINAL CONTENT OF THE RULE IN FINAL DRAFT FORM AS IT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATURE. THIS REPORT CONSTITUTES A REVIEW OF, BUT NOT APPROVAL OR DISAPPROVAL OF, THE SUBSTANTIVE CONTENT AND TECHNICAL ACCURACY OF THE RULE.]

**CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 05-024**

AN ORDER to amend Trans 196.04 (1) (a) to (d), relating to the convenience fee for telephone vehicle registration renewal.

Submitted by **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

03-15-2005 RECEIVED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

04-12-2005 REPORT SENT TO AGENCY.

RNS:DLS

**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE REPORT**

This rule has been reviewed by the Rules Clearinghouse. Based on that review, comments are reported as noted below:

1. STATUTORY AUTHORITY [s. 227.15 (2) (a)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
2. FORM, STYLE AND PLACEMENT IN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE [s. 227.15 (2) (c)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
3. CONFLICT WITH OR DUPLICATION OF EXISTING RULES [s. 227.15 (2) (d)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
4. ADEQUACY OF REFERENCES TO RELATED STATUTES, RULES AND FORMS [s. 227.15 (2) (e)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
5. CLARITY, GRAMMAR, PUNCTUATION AND USE OF PLAIN LANGUAGE [s. 227.15 (2) (f)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
6. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS WITH, AND COMPARABILITY TO, RELATED FEDERAL REGULATIONS [s. 227.15 (2) (g)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO
7. COMPLIANCE WITH PERMIT ACTION DEADLINE REQUIREMENTS [s. 227.15 (2) (h)]  
Comment Attached            YES             NO



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### CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 05-024

#### Comments

**[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated January 2005.]**

#### **2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code**

- a. The final paragraph of the rule should begin with “(d)” rather than “(4).”
- b. A note should be inserted after s. Trans 196.04 (1) (d) indicating the Web site address.

#### **5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language**

In s. Trans 196.04 (4), the second sentence should read: “In determining the fee per transaction for the current year, the department shall review, from the previous year, the total cost of service, the number of transactions, and other material factors.”. Note that “will” is changed to “shall.” In the last sentence, “that” should be substituted for “which.”

**PART 4**  
CR 05-024

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ANALYSIS OF FINAL DRAFT OF TRANS 196

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(b) **Modifications as a Result of Testimony at Public Hearing.** The public hearing was held in Madison on April 13, 2005. No modifications were made to the proposed rule as a result of testimony at the hearing.

(c) **List of Persons who Appeared or Registered at Public Hearing.** No one appeared or registered at the hearing.

(d) **Summary of Public Comments and Agency Response to those Comments:** No public comments were received.

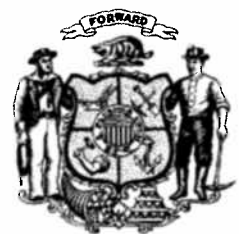
(e) **Explanation of any Changes Made to the Plain Language Analysis or Fiscal Estimate:** No changes were made.

(f) **Response to Legislative Council Recommendations:** The Legislative Council report contained five comments, all of which have been incorporated into the proposed rule.

(g) **Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis.** The Department of Transportation anticipates that this rule making will have no direct adverse effect on small businesses. This rule making establishes no additional compliance, bookkeeping, or reporting requirements for small businesses.



# WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





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*Assembly  
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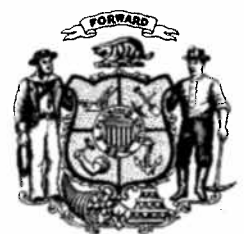
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STATE OF WISCONSIN

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

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**NOTICE OF HEARING  
AND  
TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to s. 341.255, Stats., and interpreting s. 341.255(3), Stats., the Department of Transportation will hold a public hearing in **Room 144-B** of the Hill Farms State Transportation Building, 4802 Sheboygan Avenue, Madison, Wisconsin on the **13th** day of **April**, 2005, at **1:30 PM**, to consider the amendment of ch. Trans 196, Wisconsin Administrative Code, relating to the convenience fee for telephone vehicle registration renewal.

An interpreter for the hearing impaired will be available on request for this hearing. Please make reservations for a hearing interpreter at least 10 days prior to the hearing.

Parking for persons with disabilities and an accessible entrance are available on the north and south sides of the Hill Farms State Transportation Building.

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**Place Where Comments are to be Submitted and Deadline for Submission:** The public record on this proposed rule making will be held open until close of business the day of the hearing to permit the submission of comments in lieu of public hearing testimony or comments supplementing testimony offered at the hearing. Any such comments should be submitted to Carson P. Frazier, Department of Transportation, Division of Motor Vehicles, Bureau of Vehicle Services, Room 253 Hill Farms, P.O. Box 7911, Madison WI 53707-7911. You may also contact Ms. Frazier by phone at (608) 266-7857.

To view the proposed amendments to the rule, view the current rule, and submit written comments via e-mail/internet, you may visit the following website:  
<http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/library/research/law/rulenotices.htm>.

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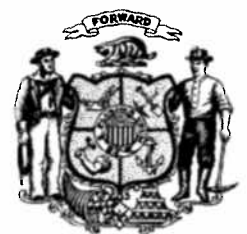
Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this \_\_\_\_ day of  
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FRANK J. BUSALACCHI  
Secretary  
Wisconsin Department of Transportation



WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





PURPLE HEART LICENSE PLATES  
STILL NOT ON-LINE

2003 Senate Bill 109

Date of enactment: **November 11, 2003**  
Date of publication\*: **November 25, 2003**

## 2003 WISCONSIN ACT 71

AN ACT to amend 341.135 (1); and to create 341.13 (2r) of the statutes; relating to: motor vehicle registration plates for veterans wounded in combat.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** 341.13 (2r) of the statutes is created to read:

341.13 (2r) In addition to the matter specified in s. 341.12 (3), the registration plates for a vehicle registered under s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 32. shall display the words "combat-wounded veteran." The department shall specify one combination of colors and design for a plate issued under s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 32., except that the department may not specify the colors or design unless the colors and design are approved in writing by the department of veterans affairs.

**SECTION 2.** 341.135 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

341.135 (1) DESIGN. Every 7th year, the department shall establish new designs of registration plates to be issued under ss. 341.14 (1a), (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), and (6r), 341.25 (1) (a), (c), (h), and (j) and (2) (a), (b), and (c), and 341.26 (2) and (3) (a) 1. and (am). Any design for registration plates issued for automobiles and

for vehicles registered on the basis of gross weight shall comply with the applicable design requirements of ss. 341.12 (3), 341.13, and 341.14 (6r) (c). The designs for registration plates specified in this subsection shall be as similar in appearance as practicable during each 7-year design interval. ~~Each~~ Except as provided in s. 341.13 (2r), each registration plate issued under s. 341.14 (1a), (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), or (6r), 341.25 (1) (a), (c), (h), or (j) or (2) (a), (b), or (c), or 341.26 (2) or (3) (a) 1. or (am) during each 7-year design interval shall be of the design established under this subsection. The department may not redesign registration plates for the special groups under s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 53., 54., or 55. until July 1, 2007. Except for registration plates issued under s. 341.14 (6r) (f) 53., 54., or 55., the first design cycle for registration plates issued under ss. 341.14 (1a), (1m), (1q), (2), (2m), (6m), and (6r), 341.25 (1) (a), (c), (h), and (j) and (2) (a), (b), and (c), and 341.26 (2) and (3) (a) 1. and (am) began July 1, 2000.

**SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

(1) This act first applies to registration plates that are redesigned on the effective date of this subsection.

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\* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2001-02 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].

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An Act to create 341.143 of the statutes; relating to: registration plate decal for recipients of the Purple Heart Medal military honor. (FE)

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