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Senate Bill 17

Relating to: special distinguishing registration plates for certain vehicles owned by members of the national guard and making an appropriation.

By Senators Hansen, Wirch, Lehman, Schultz, Taylor and Leibham; cosponsored by Representatives Hilgenberg, Kaufert, Roth, Spanbauer, Gunderson and Hintz.

January 27, 2009 Referred to Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources.

February 26, 2009 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD**

Present: (0) None.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances For

- Dave Hansen — 30th Senate District
- Larry Olson, Madison — Department of Military Affairs

Appearances Against

- None.

Appearances for Information Only

- None.

Registrations For

- None.

Registrations Against

- None.

Registrations for Information Only

- None.

September 30, 2009 **EXECUTIVE SESSION HELD**

Present: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Senator Plale, seconded by Senator Hansen that **Senate Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Noes: (0) None.

ADOPTION OF SENATE AMENDMENT 1 RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0

Moved by Senator Hansen, seconded by Senator Plale that **Senate Bill 17** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (7) Senators Holperin, Sullivan, Plale, Hansen, Leibham, Kedzie and Grothman.

Noes: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 7, Noes 0

Elizabeth Novak
Committee Clerk



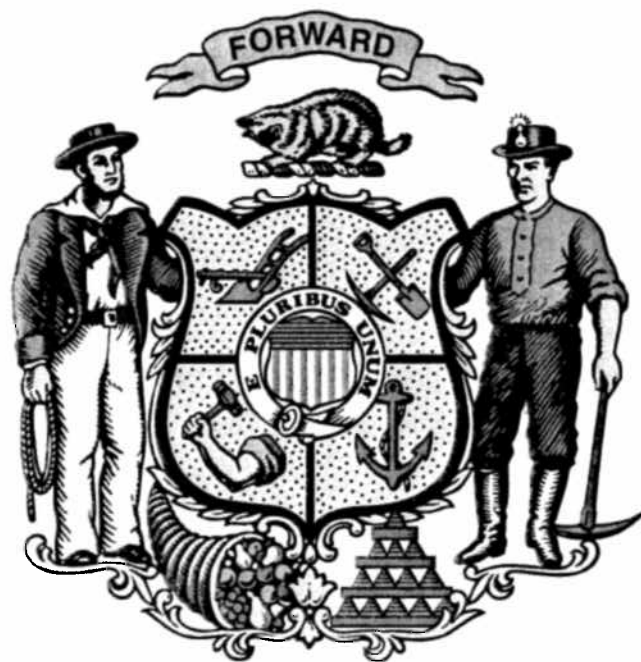
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SENATE BILL 17

An Act to create 341.08 (2) (f) and 341.14 (6m) (d) of the statutes; relating to: special distinguishing registration plates for certain vehicles owned by members of the national guard and making an appropriation. (FE)

Introduced on 27-JAN-2009.

Introduced by Senators **Hansen, Wirch, Lehman, Schultz, Taylor and Leibham**; cosponsored by Representatives **Hilgenberg, Kaufert, Roth, Spanbauer and Gunderson**.



Novak, Elizabeth

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT [Carson.Frazier@dot.wi.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 1:02 PM
To: Wagnitz, John; Olson, Larry - DMA (2nd)
Cc: Klein, Christopher - DOT; Klein, Rose - DOT
Subject: SB 17, national guard decals

John, you asked for the potential number of persons who would obtain the decals under SB 17.

From the information that Larry has provided

Joint Force Hqs	-	414
32d Brigade	-	3600
157th MEB	-	1950
115th Fighter Wing	-	1,039
128th ARW	-	905
Total:	-	7,908, which is 79.2% of the total number of WI Guard (9,988).

The Wisconsin National Guard plate is available to persons who are current or retired members of the Wisconsin National Guard. Assume that the same proportion of Wisconsin National Guard license plates are owned by people currently in or retired from these units.

As of January 1, 2009, there are 730 Wisconsin National Guard license plates currently registered. Thus, 578 of the 730 Wisconsin National Guard plates are owned by members or retired members of these units.

We do not know how many of these 578 people would wish to obtain the decal. DOT's experience is that relatively few eligible people actually obtain a special plate. On the other hand, these people have already demonstrated their affinity for the Wisconsin National Guard license plate, and high numbers could be expected to also obtain the decal. Assume that all 578 people in these units would obtain the decal for the unit they are or were in.

Cost to the Department of Transportation for programming and decal design is \$9,300. Shared among 578 people, this would total \$16.09 per person. If the assumption of 100% participation is overstated, the cost per person would increase.

PS, thank you for sending the suggested amendment. I've asked our program people to review it, and we'll need to secure the Secretary's Office thoughts on it. I'll sure let you know our thoughts as soon as I can.

Carson P. Frazier
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-----Original Message-----

From: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI [mailto:larry.l.olson@us.army.mil]
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 11:21 AM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

The 57th Field Artillery is now the 157th MEB. That's why I suggested the bill only refer to Wisconsin Major Commands since they do change.

The 128th Air Control Squadron at Volk Field is not part of the 128th Air Refueling Wing at Billy Mitchell.

Thanks for your help on this.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT [mailto:carson.frazier@dot.state.wi.us]
Sent: Tuesday, March 03, 2009 7:54 AM
To: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

Two questions Larry please:

- (1) The bill mentions 57th Field Artillery Brigade -- is that one of the units you've listed below? I'm not able to recognize the name .
- (2) Is the 128th ACS, Volk Field part of the 128th Air Refueling Wing that's listed in the bill?

Thank you very much.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI [mailto:larry.l.olson@us.army.mil]
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 3:27 PM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

Here you go:

WI Army Guard		
Joint Force Hqs	-	414
Troop Command	-	1650
32d Brigade	-	3600
157th MEB	-	1950
426th Regiment	-	120
Total Army Guard		7,734
WI Air Guard		
115th Fighter Wing	1,039	
128th ARW	-	905
CRTC, Volk Field	-	160
128th ACS, Volk Field	150	
Total Air Guard	2,254	
Total WI Guard	9,988	

Again these numbers change on a daily basis.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT [mailto:carson.frazier@dot.state.wi.us]
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 8:42 AM
To: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

great, thank you very much.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI [mailto:larry.l.olson@us.army.mil]
Sent: Monday, March 02, 2009 8:10 AM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Subject: Re: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

There are 9 Major Cmds and I can get you approx numbers in each.

----- Original Message -----

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT <carson.frazier@dot.state.wi.us>
To: Olson, Larry - DMA (2nd) <Larry2.Olson@Wisconsin.gov>
Sent: Fri Feb 27 13:47:50 2009
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

Hi Larry. Can you tell me how many Wisconsin residents are

- (1) members of the National Guard
- (2) in each of the 5 units --
 - 32nd Infantry Brigade
 - 57th Field Artillery Brigade
 - Joint Forces Headquarters
 - 115th Fighter Wing
 - 128th Air Refueling Wing

I need to know Wisconsin residents because they would be the only persons eligible to get a Wisconsin National Guard plate.

I need this number to figure out possible number of people who would want the decals per SB 17. thank you very much.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Olson, Larry L. Mr NGWI [mailto:larry.l.olson@us.army.mil]
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 11:41 AM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals (UNCLASSIFIED)

Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Caveats: NONE

We can work out the details. The legislation lets former members apply so a cutover to a new decal might not work. We should get together to discuss.
Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT [mailto:carson.frazier@dot.state.wi.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 2:39 PM
To: Wagnitz, John - LEGIS
Cc: Olson, Larry - DMA (2nd); Klein, Christopher - DOT; Klein, Rose - DOT
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals

Thanks John, I'll call Larry Olson. Regarding changing decal, fyi if you're drafting an amendment, our concerns would be (1) it would have to be sequential -- we'd need a cut-over date to stop issuing the old unit name and start issuing the new unit name, (2) along with that we'd want a sufficient lead time so we could use up stock of old unit name before moving to new unit name, and (3) we wouldn't want to be required to re-issue new name decals to everyone who has the old unit name, they'd have to obtain and pay for a

replacement plate if they wanted that.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wagnitz, John [mailto:John.Wagnitz@legis.wisconsin.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 2:02 PM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Cc: Olson, Larry - DMA (2nd)
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals

Carson,

The contact is Larry Olson, Executive Assistant at DMA. I've included him in this email. To make matters more complicated, we are also planning to introduce an amendment to allow the DOT to make changes to the decals (with DMA's advice) as the guard unit names change.

John

From: Frazier, Carson - DOT [mailto:carson.frazier@dot.state.wi.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 1:45 PM
To: Wagnitz, John
Cc: Klein, Christopher - DOT; Klein, Rose - DOT
Subject: RE: SB 17, national guard decals

hi John. We don't have any idea from our records how many National Guard plates are owned by people who are members or former members of the 5 enumerated units that would be eligible for the decal. I think it would take some work to figure out -- if I were doing a fiscal estimate, I'd try to get information on how many Wisconsin residents who are National Guard members or retired are from those 5 units, and then apply that proportion to the number of current National Guard plates, and then apply a percentage to represent how many eligible people actually obtain a special plate. This probably would take a while and pretty much depends on getting some data from the National Guard. Do you have any idea of the numbers or have a contact person in the WI National Guard who'd know? Thanks.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wagnitz, John [mailto:John.Wagnitz@legis.wisconsin.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 26, 2009 1:25 PM
To: Frazier, Carson - DOT
Subject: SB 17, national guard decals

Hi Carson,

We had a hearing today in the Senate on SB 17. Senator Kedzie brought up the idea of charging a nominal fee to participants for the decal, which we are open to.

Can you tell me how many national guard members purchase the special plate and/or any estimate on how many would purchase the decals? The fiscal is \$9,300 and we're trying to figure how much to charge to get to that amount.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

John Wagnitz

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