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**CHAPTER 22.**

AN ACT to create 85.01 (11) (an) of the statutes, relating to publication of motor vehicle registry lists.

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

85.01 (11) (an) of the statutes is created to read:

85.01 (11) (an) SAME; PUBLICATION TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED. The motor vehicle department shall not be required to transmit annually a motor vehicle registry list as provided in section 85.01 (11) (a) to the persons and bodies designated therein during the period of national war emergency and while new motor vehicle registration numbers are not being issued annually. The motor vehicle department shall, however, continue to transmit from time to time to the persons and bodies designated in section 85.01 (11) (a), numerical registry lists of motor vehicles not registered in Wisconsin previous to the transmittal of the last annual registry list and numerical registry lists of those vehicles previously registered for which new registration numbers have been issued. This section shall no longer be in effect as to any group or groups of vehicles designated under section 85.01 (4) at any time the motor vehicle department shall issue new registration numbers for any such group or groups.

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**CHAPTER 23.**

AN ACT to create 85.01 (6) (d) of the statutes, relating to emergency provisions in connection with motor vehicle registration plates and providing a penalty.

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

85.01 (6) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

85.01 (6) (d) NUMBERING DURING EMERGENCY. 1. For the period terminating as provided in subsection (6) (d) 3 the provisions of subsection (6) (a) and (c) shall be superseded by the provisions of subsection (6) (d) 2.

2. The motor vehicle department shall devise, secure, issue, and deliver, prepaid, to each owner of any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, registered in accordance with the provisions of this section, one official number plate; the name: "Wisconsin" or "Wis." and the registration year for which the license is issued shall be indicated thereon. Such number plate shall be firmly and rigidly fastened and placed horizontally in a conspicuous place on the rear of each motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer, except that the number plate for a vehicle registered under subsection (4) (c) used exclusively to draw a trailer or semitrailer shall be so attached to the front of the vehicle. The commissioner of the motor vehicle department may by reasonable rules and regulations, provide for the front of the vehicle a substitute for the number plate which was provided for under subsection (6) (a) before the effective date of this paragraph. Such substitute may be of such material and design so that it can be applied to the inside of the windshield and may have thereon the registration number assigned to the vehicle. All such number plates or other means of identification shall be so displayed and kept reasonably clean at all times that the same can be readily and distinctly seen and read. Any peace officer may require the operator of any vehicle on which a plate is not properly displayed to display such plate as required by this subdivision. Any plate shall not be removed from any vehicle unless the plate for the succeeding year is immediately attached.

3. The provisions of subsection (6) (d) 2 shall terminate at the time of the beginning of the registration period (for motor vehicles, trailers or semitrailers) which occurs next after the 2-year period which follows the cessation of hostilities as declared by the President or the Congress of the United States, except that the commissioner of the motor vehicle department, with the approval of the governor, may fix an earlier date, which shall be published in the official state paper not less than 30 days prior to such date, for terminating the effect of subsection (6) (d) 2 if he is satisfied after investigation that suitable material is available for number plates under subsection (6) (a) and (c). Upon such termination the provisions of subsection (6) (a) and (c) shall again be in effect. Any person who shall violate the provisions of subsection