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2003 Wisconsin Act 221 [2003 Senate Bill 448]

Issuing Motor Vehicle Operator's License to Persons Previously Licensed in Another State

2003 Acts: www.legis.state.wi.us/2003/data/acts/

Act Memos: www.legis.state.wi.us/lc/act_memo/act_memo.htm

Current law specifies that a person who holds a valid motor vehicle operator's license issued by another state or jurisdiction must surrender this out-of-state operator's license to the Department of Transportation (DOT) prior to issuance by DOT of a Wisconsin operator's license. Within 30 days after application to DOT, DOT must return any out-of-state license to the state of issuance, together with information that the applicant is now licensed in this state or has been refused a license by this state, as applicable.

2003 Wisconsin Act 221 requires that, in lieu of returning an out-of-state license to the state of issuance, DOT must, within 30 days following a person's licensure in this state, destroy any surrendered license and report to the state of issuance that the person is now licensed in this state.

Effective Date: April 23, 2004. The Act first applies to persons licensed by the DOT on that effective date.

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