



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2013 Wisconsin Act 221
[2013 Senate Bill 630]

**Display of Historical Plates on
Collector Vehicles**

2013 Act 221 allows the display on collector vehicles manufactured before 1979 of one or two historical registration plates representing the model year of the vehicle.

Certain vehicles of a model year of 1945 or earlier may be registered as “antique” vehicles. Antique vehicles may only be driven for limited purposes, such as display, parades, testing, maintenance, and storage. Antique vehicles may display one or two historical license plates representing the model year of the vehicle provided the current registration plates are carried in the vehicle.

Prior law provided for a special category of registration for vehicles commonly known as “collector” vehicles. A vehicle may be eligible for this registration if it is 20 years old, has not been altered, and is being preserved for its historic interest. A vehicle may also be so registered if it is at least 25 years old and is a certain type of former military vehicle.

2013 Act 221 allows collector vehicles manufactured before 1979 to display a historical plate representing the model year, provided that the vehicle is being driven to or from a car show or parade and that any plate issued by the department for the vehicle is carried in the vehicle.

Effective date: This Act takes effect July 1, 2014.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.