



1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 621

October 12, 1995 - Introduced by Representatives LA FAVE, OLSEN, KRUG, GOETSCH, BOCK, ALBERS, CULLEN, HAHN, BALDWIN, HASENOHRL and BOYLE, cosponsored by Senators DARLING, HUELSMAN and COWLES. Referred to Joint committee on Information Policy.

1 **AN ACT to create** 85.24 (4) of the statutes; **relating to:** records relating to
2 ride-sharing programs and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the department of transportation administers a ride-sharing program that, among other things, provides assistance to public and private organizations for the planning and implementation of ride-sharing programs related to commuting to and from work by carpool or vanpool. Individuals wishing to participate in a ride-sharing program must complete an application with the local ride-sharing program administrator that may include the individual's residential address and phone number, beginning and ending work hours, current mode of commuting to and from work and the type of ride-sharing service information requested.

This bill requires that certain information received from applicants for ride-sharing services be kept confidential. Under the bill, an individual's residential address, phone number, beginning and ending work hours, current mode of commuting to and from work and the type of ride-sharing service information requested by the individual may not be disclosed except as necessary to administer the ride-sharing program.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 85.24 (4) of the statutes is created to read:
4 85.24 (4) CONFIDENTIALITY OF INFORMATION. (a) Except as provided in par. (b),
5 a record containing any of the following information collected under this section

1 relating to any applicant for ride-sharing services shall be kept confidential and may
2 not be inspected or copied under s. 19.35 (1):

- 3 1. Residential address and phone number.
- 4 2. The time of beginning and ending work.
- 5 3. Current mode of commuting between home and workplace.
- 6 4. Type of ride-sharing service information requested.

7 (b) Paragraph (a) does not prohibit the disclosure of the information to the
8 extent necessary to administer the ride-sharing program.

9 (c) Any person who wilfully discloses or who, under false pretenses, wilfully
10 requests or obtains information in violation of par. (a) may be required to forfeit not
11 more than \$500 for each violation. This paragraph does not apply to information
12 disclosed, requested or obtained to the extent necessary to administer the
13 ride-sharing program.

14 **SECTION 2. Effective date.**

15 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 2nd month beginning after
16 publication.

17 (END)