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## 2015 SENATE BILL 333

October 14, 2015 - Introduced by Senators HARSDORF, WANGGAARD, TIFFANY, KAPENGA, OLSEN and LASSA, cosponsored by Representatives JARCHOW, SKOWRONSKI, E. BROOKS, T. LARSON, KNODL, WEATHERSTON, C. TAYLOR, ALLEN, KREMER, THIESFELDT and HORLACHER. Referred to Committee on Public Benefit and Regulatory Reform.

- 1     **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 440.05 (1) (a); and *to create* 440.05 (1) (a) 2.  
2             of the statutes; **relating to:** fees charged for initial credentials administered  
3             by the Department of Safety and Professional Services and its attached boards.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, in order to obtain most credentials issued by the Department of Safety and Professional Services (DSPS) or an associated credentialing board, an applicant must, when submitting application materials, pay an initial credential fee in an amount determined by DSPS.

This bill requires DSPS to do the following with respect to most credentials: 1) divide the period between consecutive renewal dates for the credential into eight periods that are as equal as possible in the number of days; and 2) subtract from the total initial credential fee an amount that is equal to one eighth of the total initial credential fee multiplied by the number of those periods that have completely elapsed since the most recent renewal date for the initial credential, as of the date the applicant submits the application materials for the initial credential to DSPS.

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

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

**SENATE BILL 333****SECTION 1**

1           **SECTION 1.** 440.05 (1) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 440.05 (1) (a) 1. and  
2 amended to read:

3           440.05 (1) (a) 1. Initial credential: An amount determined by the department  
4 under s. 440.03 (9) (a), subject to any reduction applied as provided in subd. 2. Each  
5 applicant for an initial credential shall pay the initial credential fee to the  
6 department when the application materials for the initial credential are submitted  
7 to the department, except that no fee is required under this paragraph for an  
8 individual who is eligible for the veterans fee waiver program under s. 45.44.

9           **SECTION 2.** 440.05 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

10           440.05 (1) (a) 2. The department shall reduce the fee for an initial credential  
11 to which this paragraph applies according to the following procedure:

12           a. Dividing the period between consecutive renewal dates for the credential  
13 into 8 periods that are as equal as possible in the number of days.

14           b. Dividing the fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9) (a) for the  
15 initial credential by 8.

16           c. Subtracting from the fee determined by the department under s. 440.03 (9)  
17 (a) for the initial credential an amount that is equal to the quotient under subd. 2.

18           b. multiplied by the number of periods under subd. 2. a. that have completely elapsed,  
19 since the most recent renewal date for the initial credential, as of the date the  
20 applicant submits the application materials for the initial credential to the  
21 department.

22           **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

