

- **Act 102**, effective May 1, 2010 – relating to operating a motor vehicle while suspended, revoked, or disqualified. The act amended the statutes to allow the court to revoke a person's operating privilege for a fourth or subsequent conviction for operating while suspended, revoked, or disqualified. Previous to this Act, the court was required to revoke the person's operating privilege.
- **Act 103**, effective July 1, 2010 – relating to motor vehicle operating privileges, seizures by courts or law enforcement officers of operator's licenses, and reinstatement of canceled identification cards. The act removes the requirement that a driver's license be surrendered to a law enforcement officer or court. The changes make it discretionary for the court to pick up a person's license after action is taken by the court. The act also removes the requirement that a new driver's license be issued upon reinstatement of all revocations or cancellation of an operating privilege or driver's license. Finally, the act removes the authority for a person's operating privilege to be suspended effective the date they apply for a driver's license if their privilege was suspended due to a conviction for a drug or certain other juvenile violations.
- **Act 113**, effective February 26, 2010 – relating to allowing podiatrists to certify driver school instructors' physical fitness. The act gives podiatrists authority to certify an applicant for a driving school instructor's license is physically fit to teach driving.
- **Act 118**, Authorizes electronic certification of DMV records in court proceedings. (Effective Date: Feb 26, 2010)
- **Act 122**, Low-speed electric bicycle is a motor bicycle, subject to laws applying to motor bicycles. (Effective Date: Feb 26, 2010)
- **Act 135**, Creates a new Historic Military Vehicle registration category. (Effective Date: Oct 1, 2010)
- **Act 159**, Creates a Marquette license plate. (Effective Date: Mar 30, 2010)
- **Act 167**, effective March 11, 2011 – relating to electronic access by law enforcement agencies to photographs on motor vehicle operators licenses and identification cards. The act requires the Department of Transportation (DOT) to make electronically available in a digital format to the Department of Justice (DOJ), and therefore law enforcement, any photograph taken by DOT.
- **Act 195**, Decals for Wisconsin National Guard plates identifying a unit of WNG that the person belonged to. Military Affairs to promulgate rules identifying the units for which a decal is available. \$20 fee charged for decal. (Effective Date: Sept 1, 2010)
- **Act 201**, Towing/storage liens; change some dollar limits and DATCP to annually update, apply to any vehicle – not just motor vehicles. (Effective Date: Aug 1, 2010)
- **Act 220**, effective December 1, 2010 – relating to prohibiting electronic text messaging and electronic mail messaging while driving. The act prohibits a person from composing or sending and electronic text or mail message while driving. The prohibition does not apply to operators of authorized emergency vehicles, global positioning system devices, users of voice-activated or hands frees devices, or An amateur radio operator who holds a valid amateur radio operator's license. The act also requires the teaching in driver training school of the hazards posed by composing or sending electronic text messages or electronic mail messages while driving.
- **Act 222**, Raw forest permit must allow operation on state trunk highways and connecting highways during spring thaw; DOT to suspend raw forest permit for certain weight violations. (Effective Date: Sept 1, 2010)
- **Act 224**, Creates a Lions Club fund-raising plate. (Effective Date: Dec 1, 2010)
- **Act 225**, Provides that at least 25-year old Pinzgauers, at least 25-year old Kaiser Jeep M715s, at least 22-yr old Humvees, and at least 25-year old Ducks may be registered under Collector Registration. (Effective Date: Aug 1, 2010)
- **Act 226**, Creates a Motorcycle Safety plate with Harley Davidson logo to raise funds for DOT motorcycle safety program. (Effective Date: Dec 1, 2010)
- **Act 228**, Explicitly state that the emission inspection (I/M) program may use subcontractors as well as contractor to perform inspections. (Effective Date: May 20, 2010)
- **Act 229**, Michigan permits. Adds authorization for transportation of certain forest products on a specific US Highway 2 segment, not limited to inter-state transport but can be simply intra-state. (Effective Date: May 20, 2010)
- **Act 230**, Creates a Women veteran plate. \$15 issuance/reissuance fee, after \$23,700 retained by DOT to pay initial production cost, goes to Veterans Trust Fund. (Effective Date: June 1, 2011)
- **Act 242**, effective with accidents occurring after May 19, 2010 – relating to the liability release exception to the requirement that proof of financial responsibility be provided after a motor vehicle accident. S. 344.14(2)(h) requires minors who own vehicles who receive damage settlements over \$5,000 to have a guardian ad litem before DOT can accept the settlement and allow the uninsured at-fault party to reinstate their driving and vehicle registration privileges. Act 242 removes the \$5000 limit and allow DMV to accept the release from a parent, guardian, or guardian ad litem.
- **Act 243**, effective May 20, 2010 - relating to: motor vehicle occupational licenses issued by the Department of Transportation. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act (MCSIA) of 1999 prohibited states from issuing occupational (hardship) licenses authorizing CDL classes. Wisconsin complied with MCSIA by prohibiting the issuance of CDL occupational licenses in 2003 Wisconsin Act 33. Current statute still makes reference to CDL occupational licenses in ss. 351.07(1m). Act 243 removed from the statutes the reference to issuance of a CDL occupational license.
- **Act 244**, effective with accidents occurring after May 19, 2010 – relating to policies and bonds issued by out-of-state insurers offered as proof of financial responsibility after a motor vehicle accident. Act 244 removes the requirements for out of state insurers to file a power of attorney with DOT before the department can enter out-of-state insurance company information on the DOT accident database.
- **Act 245**, effective May 20, 2010 – relating to the requirement that a nonresident provide proof of financial responsibility for the operation of a motor vehicle to reinstate a suspended operating privilege or vehicle registration. In the law in place prior to Act 245, non-residents were not required to obtain SR22 insurance coverage as a prerequisite to reinstating except under 344.32. This Act repairs an oversight when 343.38(2) was changed to eliminate that requirement for non-residents for all other driver license reinstatements.
- **Act 246**, DOT remedial – eliminate duplicative and unneeded paragraph on disabled lessees (Effective Date: May 20, 2010)
- **Act 254**, effective May 22, 2010 – relating to creating a commercial driver license exception for law enforcement officers operating commercial motor vehicles. This Act created an exemption from commercial driver's license requirements for a law enforcement officer who is operating an authorized emergency vehicle that is necessary to the preservation of life or property or the execution of emergency governmental functions.
- **Act 311**, Low speed vehicles comprehensive treatment. Define LSV as meeting federal statute, includes but not limited to electric vehicles. No person may operate LSV at more than 25 mph. Two DL demerit points for conviction of certain violations. Highway operation and local authorities specified. (Effective Date: Oct 1, 2010)
- **Act 326**, August 1, 2010 – relating to extending the employer notification program administered by the Department of Transportation to noncommercial motor vehicle drivers. This Act allows employers to use DOT's current employer notification program, used prior to the effective date of this Act for commercial drivers only, to receive driver license information for their employees holding only non-commercial drivers licenses.
- **Act 340**, Celebrate Children contribution increased to \$25 annually from \$20. (Effective Date: Aug 1, 2010)
- **Act 405**, Payday loans. Eliminates title loans. (Effective Date: Jan 1, 2011)

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