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2023 Wisconsin Act 187[2023 Senate Bill 868]

Election as an Anatomical Gift Donor When Filing Income Tax Returns

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2023 Wisconsin Act 187 requires the Department of Revenue (DOR) to place on income tax forms a method by which a resident of this state who is 15 years of age or older, or an emancipated minor, may elect to include his or her name as a donor of an anatomical gift in the donor registry maintained by the Department of Transportation (DOT).

The act requires DOR to transmit certain information about applicants who elect to be included in the donor registry to DOT, and requires DOT to record donor authorizations received from DOR in the donor registry even if the person does not have an operator's license or identification card issued by DOT. The act also adds DOR to the list of state agencies that must cooperate with the Department of Health Services in establishing a donor registry.

Lastly, the act adds material to the statutory section on amending or revoking an anatomical gift before a donor's death to specify that a donor may not revoke an anatomical gift by declining to authorize inclusion of his or her name in the donor registry when applying for or renewing a driver's license or identification card, when applying for a hunting, fishing, or trapping license, or when filing an income tax form unless the donor expressly indicates his or her intent to have his or her name removed from the donor registry.

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For a full history of the bill, visit the Legislature's bill history page.

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