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Testimony on Senate Bill 270: discontinuance of certain special group plates

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Mr. Chairman and members, thank you for taking the time today to hear Senate Bill 270. This bill is a simple fix for non-profit groups that use special group license plates as part of their fundraising activities.

In order to remain eligible for a special group license plate in Wisconsin, groups are required to maintain at least 500 registered license plates. Unfortunately, along with everything else last year, fundraising efforts for many non-profit groups saw a significant disruption due to the pandemic. As a result, some groups were unable to maintain this threshold.

SB 270 will allow the Department of Transportation to waive this requirement for the 2020 calendar year so that groups that might have lost eligibility will not have to go through the process to re-apply for plates due to a lapse in membership last year.

Thank you again for taking the time to hear this bill and I would be happy to answer any questions.

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