

SB 5824 - DIGEST

Finds that substantial pavement damage is caused by studded tire use. Wisconsin and Minnesota are among the states that have prohibited the use of studded tires for this reason. Therefore, to offset pavement maintenance and preservation costs, an annual fee is established to recognize and recover the cost of studded tire damage to the roadways.

Declares that it is a traffic infraction to use metal studs imbedded within the tire at any time without a permit. Upon the payment of an additional fee of one hundred dollars at the time of initial vehicle licensing or vehicle license renewal, the department of licensing shall issue a permit for the use of studded tires on a particular vehicle for the following year. In addition to any applicable penalties, a person who violates this subsection must pay the one hundred-dollar permit fee.