

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 348

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1

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Under current law, with certain exceptions, rules of the road apply exclusively upon highways. Current law defines "highway" to mean all public ways and thoroughfares and bridges on the same. "Highways" includes roads or driveways in publicly owned parks and in state forests that are open to the public for vehicular travel and roads or driveways that are on the grounds of public schools and institutions under the jurisdiction of the county. A private road or driveway is not included within the definition of a highway.

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 provides that the owner of a private road or driveway within a manufactured and mobile home community may enter into an agreement with a city, village, town, or county to treat the private road or driveway as a highway for the purposes of traffic regulation enforcement. The agreement may limit the traffic regulations to be enforced on the private road or driveway under the agreement.

Legislative History

On November 3, 2009, the Assembly passed Assembly Bill 348, as amended by Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, on a voice vote. The bill, as amended by the Assembly, has been referred to the Senate Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources.

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