

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2015 Senate Bill 80

Senate Amendment 1

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CURRENT LAW

Under current law, local authorities may establish special or seasonal weight limitations for highways under their jurisdiction which, because of deterioration or climatic conditions, would likely be seriously damaged if the limitations were not imposed. Current law also authorizes local authorities to designate highways under their jurisdiction "Class B" highways. Generally, the weight limitations that apply to Class B highways are 60% of the statutory weight limitations that apply to highways not designated as Class B highways.

2015 SENATE BILL 80

2015 Senate Bill 80 provides that Class B and special or seasonal weight limitations do not apply to a vehicle of public utility, telecommunications provider, or cooperative association organized under ch. 185, Stats., for the purpose of producing or furnishing heat, light, power, or water to its members when the vehicle is being operated for the purpose of responding to a service interruption.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 80 provides that Class B and special or seasonal weight limitations also do not apply to a vehicle operated **at the direction** of a public utility, telecommunications provider, or cooperative association for the purpose of responding to a service interruption.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 80 was offered by Senator Petrowski on April 6, 2015. On April 7, 2015, the Senate Committee on Transportation and Veterans Affairs voted unanimously to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 80, as amended.

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