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CHAPTER 629

AN ACT to amend 347.16 (1) (intro. par.) and 347.23 (3); and to create 347.23 (4) of the statutes, relating to required equipment on vehicles operated on highways.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 347.16 (1) (intro. par.) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.16 (1) (intro. par.) No person shall operate on a highway during hours of darkness any vehicle, *except automobiles*, having a width at any part in excess of 80 inches unless such vehicle is equipped with:

SECTION 2. 347.23 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.23 (3) No person shall operate upon the left-hand side of a highway during hours of darkness any road machinery or motor vehicle used in highway construction or maintenance unless such vehicle or machinery is equipped with an auxiliary lamp or lamps projecting a blue light visible from a distance of 500 feet from the front and rear. The lenses of such auxiliary lamps shall be not less than 6 inches in diameter and the lamps shall be mounted approximately midway between the extremities of the width of the vehicle or machinery and at the highest practicable point. *This subsection terminates in effect on July 1, 1960; and prior to that date it does not apply to any person who complies with sub. (4).*

SECTION 3. 347.23 (4) of the statutes is created to read:

347.23 (4) No person shall operate upon the left-hand side of a highway during hours of darkness any road machinery or motor vehicle used in highway construction or maintenance, including snow and ice control, unless such vehicle or machinery is equipped with an auxiliary lamp or lamps projecting a flashing amber light visible from all directions

for a 360-degree lens (beehive type lamp) or revolving type lamp and visible front and rear for reflectorized stationary directional type lamps. For flashing type lamps the number of flashes per minute shall be between 60 and 90. For revolving type lamps the revolutions per minute shall be between 45 and 90. The lenses of such auxiliary lamps shall not be less than 6 inches in diameter for the reflectorized stationary directional type lamp; 3- $\frac{3}{4}$  inches minimum diameter and 5-inch minimum height for the 360-degree lens (beehive type lamp); and 3- $\frac{3}{4}$  inches minimum width and 4- $\frac{5}{8}$  inches minimum height for the revolving type lamp. The lamps shall be equipped with bulbs of 50 candle power minimum. The lamps shall be mounted approximately midway between the transverse extremities of the vehicle or machinery and at the highest practicable point.

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