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#### CHAPTER 24

AN ACT to amend 347.45 (1) ; and to create 347.45 (2) (c) of the statutes, relating to the use of metal on the traction surface of pneumatic tires.

*do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 347.45 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.45 (1) All automobiles, motor trucks, motor busses, trackless trolley busses, truck tractors, trailers, semitrailers and mobile homes when operated upon a highway shall be completely equipped with tires inflated with compressed air and all other motor vehicles when operated on a highway shall be equipped with tires of rubber or of some material or construction of equal resiliency. No person shall operate on a highway any motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer or mobile home having any metal tire in contact with the roadway, except that tire chains of reasonable proportions may be used when required for safety because of snow, ice or other conditions tending to cause a vehicle to skid, *and except as provided in sub. (2) (c).*

SECTION 2. 347.45 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

347.45 (2) (c) A pneumatic tire may have embedded in it wire not to exceed .075 inches in diameter if so constructed that under no conditions shall the per cent of metal in contact with the highway exceed 5 per cent of the total tire area in contact with the roadway, except that during the first 1,000 miles of use or operation of any such tire the metal in contact with the highway shall not exceed 20 per cent of the total tire area in contact with the roadway.

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