

**1983 Senate Bill 251**

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**1983 Wisconsin Act 223**

AN ACT *to amend* 340.01 (17) and (18), 343.01 (2) (e) 3 and 343.08 (1) (a) and (2) of the statutes, *relating to* leased farm trucks and farm trailers.

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

SECTION 1. 340.01 (17) and (18) of the statutes are amended to read:

340.01 (17) "Farm trailer" means a trailer or semitrailer with a gross weight greater than 3,000 pounds which is owned or leased and operated by a farmer and is used exclusively for the transportation of farm products from the owner's farm to market or for the transportation of supplies to the owner's farm. As used in this subsection "leased" means that the farmer has entered into a written agreement with a person in the business of leasing vehicles to lease the trailer or semitrailer for a period of one year or more.

(18) "Farm truck" means a motor truck owned or leased and operated by a farmer and used primarily for the transportation of supplies, farm equipment and products on the owner's farm or between his or her farms, the transportation of farm products from the owner's farm to market, and the transportation of supplies to his or her farm. As used in this subsection, the term "farmer" includes persons who are engaged in those activities specified in the definition of "operation of farm premises" contained in s. 102.04 (3), provided that such activities are directly or indirectly for the purpose of producing a commodity or commodities for market, or as an accessory to such production. As used in this subsection "leased" means that the farmer has entered into a written agreement with a person in the business of leasing vehicles to lease the motor truck for a period of one year or more.

SECTION 2. 343.01 (2) (e) 3 of the statutes is amended to read:

343.01 (2) (e) 3. He or she is engaged in operating a farm truck and he or she is either the owner or lessee of the farm truck or a member of the owner's or lessee's immediate family or an employe of the owner or lessee not employed primarily for the purpose of operating the farm truck; or

SECTION 3. 343.08 (1) (a) and (2) of the statutes are amended to read:

343.08 (1) (a) The department must be satisfied that it is necessary for the applicant to operate either an automobile, farm truck or power driven cycle owned and registered by the applicant's parent or guardian or a farm truck leased to the applicant's parent or guardian.

(2) A restricted license issued pursuant to this section is valid only until the licensee secures a regular operator's license or reaches 18 years of age and entitles the licensee to operate ~~either~~ an automobile or farm truck owned and registered by the licensee's parent or guardian or a farm truck leased to the licensee's parent or guardian or a motor-driven cycle owned and registered by the licensee's parent or guardian or ~~both~~ any combination of automobile, farm truck or motor-driven cycle, depending on the restrictions placed by the department on the particular license. A license issued pursuant to this section does not authorize the licensee to operate any such vehicle during hours of darkness or to operate a vehicle in a city having a population of 500,000 or more or to operate a commercial motor truck, motor bus or taxicab.

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