



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Assembly Bill 374

**Assembly
Amendment 1**

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Under **current law**, motor vehicle operators are required to obey the directions of school crossing guards at school crossings, including stopping their vehicles when directed to do so. All adult school crossing guards must be equipped with signs or signals to direct traffic to stop at school crossings. **This bill** requires each school crossing guard, except any guard in a first class city (Milwaukee), to be offered use of a reflective, cloth stop sign attached to a lightweight pole of not less than five feet in length, or a reflective, cloth stop sign equipped with a flashing light, to direct traffic to stop at school crossings. The bill specifies that the Department of Transportation must design the stop sign and pay the costs of manufacture and distribution of the stop signs.

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Assembly Amendment 1 provides that school boards or the local governing body “**may**” offer to school crossing guards the stop signs created in the bill. In the original bill, it was required that each school crossing guard be offered use of the stop signs created in the bill.

Assembly Amendment 1 includes first class cities (Milwaukee) within the bill. In the original bill, first class cities were excluded.

Legislative History

On December 1, 2005, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended for adoption Assembly Amendment 1 by a vote of Ayes, 12; Noes, 1, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, by a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 6.

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