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2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 733

January 15, 2016 – Introduced by Representatives SPIROS, BALLWEG, E. BROOKS, R. BROOKS, HUTTON, KLEEFISCH, KULP, T. LARSON, RIPP and SKOWRONSKI, cosponsored by Senators PETROWSKI, MOULTON and OLSEN. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 AN ACT to amend 348.17 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes; relating to: seasonal

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weight limitations for certain vehicles transporting agricultural crops.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with limited exceptions, no person may operate upon a highway any vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds certain statutory weight limits unless the person obtains a permit issued by the Department of Transportation or a local authority. Under one exception, certain vehicles or vehicle combinations transporting agricultural crops may, without a permit, exceed weight limits by not more than 15 percent from September 1 to December 31 of each year.

This bill extends the annual beginning date for this exception from September 1 to August 1.

Because this bill concerns an exception to the vehicle weight limits specified in ch. 348, stats., the Department of Transportation, as required by law, will prepare a report to be printed as an appendix to this bill.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 348.17 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

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1	348.17 (5) (a) (intro.) From <u>September August</u> 1 to December 31 of each year,
2	no permit shall be required for the transportation of corn, soybeans, potatoes,
3	vegetables, or cranberries from the field to storage on the grower's owned or leased
4	land, from the field to initial storage at a location not owned or leased by the grower,
5	or from the field to initial processing in a vehicle or combination of vehicles that
6	exceeds the weight limitations under s. 348.15 by not more than 15 percent and that
7	satisfies all of the following:

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(END)