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February 5, 2003 - Introduced by Representatives AINSWORTH, KRUSICK, BLACK, BOYLE, GIELOW, JESKEWITZ, KAUFERT, J. LEHMAN, MCCORMICK, MILLER, OTT, TOWNSEND, VAN ROY, ZIEGELBAUER and CULLEN, cosponsored by Senators COWLES and CARPENTER. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 348.10 (2); and *to create* 348.10 (2) (b) and
2 (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** transporting loads on a highway in vehicles
3 equipped with dump bodies and providing a penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person may operate a vehicle on a highway unless the vehicle is so constructed and loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking, or otherwise escaping from the vehicle. A forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200 may be imposed for violating this provision.

This bill specifies that any vehicle that is equipped with a dump body and that is carrying any load extending above the top of the dump body must be covered when being operated on a highway to prevent the load from dropping or sifting from the vehicle. This requirement does not apply to a vehicle temporarily operated on a highway between fields or between a farm and a field. Failure to comply with this provision may result in a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.

The bill specifies that both of these provisions do not apply to a vehicle that is applying bulk material to a highway for highway construction or maintenance.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** 348.10 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 348.10 (2) (a) and amended
5 to read:

