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CHAPTER 558

AN ACT to repeal 347.44 (2) (c); to amend 340.01 (56) (intro. par.), 346.48 (2) and 347.44 (3); of the statutes, relating to passing school busses while loading or unloading children.

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

SECTION 1. 340.01 (56) (intro. par.) of the statutes is amended to read:

340.01 (56) (intro. par.) "School bus" means a motor vehicle which transports children to or from a public or private school or which transports school groups engaged in extracurricular activities to or from points designated by such * * * schools, but does not include:

SECTION 2. 346.48 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.48 (2) The operator of a school bus * * * shall not use the flashing red signals in the built-up areas of cities, villages or towns where passengers are to be loaded or unloaded from a curb or sidewalk or in special bus loading areas but shall use the flashing red signals in all other cases when stopping on the street or highway for the purpose of loading or unloading any school child. When such school bus or private school transportation vehicle is being used upon a highway for purposes other than the actual transportation of school children or school groups, the flashing red signals shall not be used and all markings thereon indicating it is a school bus or private school transportation vehicle shall be removed or concealed.

SECTION 3. 347.44 (2) (c) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 4. 347.44 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.44 (3) If a vehicle mentioned in sub. (2) (a) * * * or (b) is painted as provided in sub. (1), it must also be equipped with flashing red signals of the type specified in s. 347.25 (2). The commissioner

may by rule specify the size of lettering for those vehicles mentioned in sub. (2) (b) whose width limitations would make it difficult to comply with sub. (1) (c).

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