

1977 Assembly Bill 178

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AN ACT to amend 346.57 (6) and 349.11 (3) (c); and to create 346.57 (4) (k) of the statutes, relating to speed limits on rustic roads.

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

SECTION 1. 346.57 (4) (k) of the statutes is created to read:

346.57 (4) (k) 45 miles per hour on any highway designated as a rustic road under s. 83.42.

SECTION 2. 346.57 (6) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.57 (6) CERTAIN STATUTORY LIMITS TO BE POSTED. On state trunk highways and connecting streets and on county trunk highways or highways marked and signed as county trunks, the speed limits specified in sub. (4) (e) and (f) are not effective unless official signs giving notice thereof have been erected by the authority in charge of maintenance of the highway in question. The speed limit specified in sub. (4) (g) and (k) is not effective on any highway unless official signs giving notice thereof have been erected by the authority in charge of maintenance of the highway in question. The signs shall be erected at such points as the authority in charge of maintenance deems necessary to give adequate warning to users of the highway in question, but an alleged failure to post a highway as required by this subsection is not a defense to a prosecution for violation of the speed limits specified in sub. (4) (e), (f) ~~or~~ (g) or (k), or in an ordinance enacted in conformity therewith, if official signs giving notice of the speed limit have been erected at those points on the highway in question where a person traversing such highway would enter it from an area where a different speed limit is in effect.

SECTION 3. 349.11 (3) (c) of the statutes is amended to read:

349.11 (3) (c) Modify any existing speed limit without the consent of the highway commission except to increase the speed limit stated in s. 346.57 (4) (e), (f) or (g) or reduce the speed limit stated in s. 346.57 (4) (k). Whenever highway commission approval is required, no signs giving notice of a modification of the speed limit shall be erected until such approval has been received.
