AN ACT to amend 347.21 (1); and to create 348.08 (1) (d) of the statutes, relating to permitting vehicle trains consisting of empty liquid fertilizer tanks and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 347.21 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.21 (1) No person shall operate on a highway during hours of darkness any train of agricultural vehicles authorized by s. 348.08 (1) (b) or (1) (d) unless there is mounted on each side of every vehicle in such train, including farm tractors and implements of husbandry, at least one lamp emitting a red light visible from a distance of 500 feet to the side of the vehicle on which mounted or, in lieu thereof, at least one red reflector visible from all distances within 500 feet to 50 feet of the side of the vehicle when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps.

SECTION 2. 348.08 (1) (d) of the statutes is created to read:

348.08 (1) (d) Two trailers transporting empty pressurized or nonpressurized tanks used for hauling or storing liquid agricultural fertilizer may, without such permit, be drawn by a motor truck if the overall length of such combination of vehicles does not
exceed 55 feet and the overall length of such vehicles and load does not exceed 59 feet. For purposes of this paragraph, “empty” means less than 20% full.