1985 Wisconsin Act 165

AN ACT to amend 348.07 (2) (g) and 348.07 (3); and to create 340.01 (25m), 348.07 (2) (gr) and 348.07 (3) (c) of the statutes, relating to allowing certain semitrailers to be operated without a permit.

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

SECTION 1. 340.01 (25m) of the statutes is created to read:

340.01 (25m) “Kingpin” means a pin or peg designed to be locked into the 5th wheel of a truck tractor to attach a semitrailer to the truck tractor.

SECTION 2. 348.07 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:

348.07 (2) (g) 48 feet for a semitrailer or trailer operated as part of a 2-vehicle combination, except as provided in par. (gr).

SECTION 3. 348.07 (2) (gr) of the statutes is created to read:

348.07 (2) (gr) 53 feet for a semitrailer whose length from kingpin to axle does not exceed 41 feet and which is operated as part of a 2-vehicle combination on a highway designated under sub. (4).

SECTION 4. 348.07 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

348.07 (3) (a) The overall length of a mobile home shall be measured from the rear thereof to the rear of the vehicle to which it is attached.

(b) The length of the semitrailer or trailer shall be measured from the front thereof to the rear of the semitrailer or trailer or cargo, whichever is longer, excluding bumpers, stake pockets, air deflectors and refrigeration units.

SECTION 5. 348.07 (3) (c) of the statutes is created to read:

348.07 (3) (c) The distance between a kingpin and semitrailer axle shall be measured as follows:

1. On a semitrailer having a tandem axle, from the kingpin to a point midway between the first and last axles of the tandem axle.

2. On a semitrailer not having a tandem axle, from the kingpin to the center of the rearmost axle.

SECTION 6. Cross-reference changes. In the sections of the statutes listed in Column A, the cross-references shown in Column B are changed to the cross-references shown in Column C:

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