

1987 Senate Bill 105

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## 1987 Wisconsin Act 116

AN ACT to renumber and amend 348.19 (2); and to create 348.19 (2) (b) of the statutes, relating to excepting overweight vehicles transporting livestock on certain highways from a reloading or unloading requirement.

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

SECTION 1. 348.19 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 348.19 (2) (a) and amended to read:

348.19 (2) (a) ~~Whenever~~ Except as provided in par. (b), whenever after a weighing of a vehicle and load as provided in sub. (1) a traffic officer determines that the weight exceeds the limitations imposed by s. 348.15 or 348.16 or any limitations posted as provided in s. 348.17 (1), the operator of such vehicle shall not proceed (except to drive to such place as directed by the traffic officer for the purpose of reloading or unloading) until such portion of the load has been reloaded or unloaded as may be necessary to reduce the weight of the vehicle and load to comply with the limitations imposed by s. 348.15 or 348.16 and any limitations posted as provided in s. 348.17 (1). All

material so reloaded or unloaded shall be reloaded or unloaded and cared for by and at the risk of the owner or operator of the vehicle.

SECTION 2. 348.19 (2) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

348.19 (2) (b) If upon weighing a vehicle transporting livestock a traffic officer determines that the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds the limitations imposed by s. 348.15 or 348.16 or a limitation posted as provided in s. 348.17 (1), and if the point of apprehension is 15 miles or less from the destination of the vehicle, the traffic officer shall permit the operator of the vehicle to proceed to such destination without requiring the vehicle to be reloaded or unloaded as provided in par. (a). This paragraph does not apply to vehicles transporting livestock on the national system of interstate and defense highways.