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1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 846

February 5, 1996 – Introduced by Representatives JENSEN, DUFF, OTTE, KREUSER and HOVEN, cosponsored by Senator ANDREA. Referred to Committee on Environment and Utilities.

AN ACT ***to amend*** 144.42 (5) (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** motor vehicles subject to emission limitations and emission inspection.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires the department of transportation to conduct a motor vehicle emission inspection program in counties in which the air quality does not meet certain federal standards. Under the program, motor vehicles that are subject to emission limitations established by the department of natural resources must be inspected. Certain motor vehicles are exempt from the emission limitations and, thus, are not required to be inspected. Under current law, motor vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of over 14,000 pounds are exempt from the emission limitations and the inspection program.

This bill lowers the weight over which a motor vehicle is exempted from motor vehicle emission limitations and the motor vehicle emission inspection program from 14,000 pounds to 8,500 pounds.

For further information see the ***state*** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

SECTION 1. 144.42 (5) (b) of the statutes, as affected by 1993 Wisconsin Act 288, is amended to read:

144.42 **(5)** (b) A motor vehicle with a gross vehicle weight rating exceeding ~~14,000~~ 8,500 pounds, as determined by the manufacturer of the vehicle.

(END)