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August 15, 2001 – Introduced by Representative Gundrum. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- 1 AN ACT *to amend* 348.01 (2) (am) of the statutes; **relating to:** modifying the
- 2 definition of certified stationary scale for measuring vehicle weight.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, any traffic officer having reason to believe that the gross weight of a vehicle is unlawful or in excess of the gross weight for which the vehicle is registered may require the operator of the vehicle to drive to the nearest certified stationary scale for weighing of the vehicle and any load. A certified stationary scale is a stationary scale that is tested and inspected for accuracy, in accordance with certain guidelines, by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection (DATCP) or another authorized testing agency.

This bill clarifies that a certified stationary scale must be not only tested and inspected for accuracy, but must comply with specifications, tolerances, and standards established by DATCP for any such scale.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 348.01 (2) (am) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 348.01 (2) (am) "Certified stationary scale" means a stationary scale which that
- 5 is tested and inspected annually for accuracy by the department of agriculture, trade

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and consumer protection or other authorized testing agency in accordance with specifications, tolerances, standards, and procedures established by the national institute of standards and technology and the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection for the testing and examination of scales, and that complies with specifications, tolerances, and standards established by the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection for any such scale.

7 (END)