

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Section 84.30 (10m), stats., enacted as part of the 1999 Budget Bill (1999 Act 9), allows the department of transportation (DOT) to promulgate a rule establishing annual permit fees for outdoor advertising signs. I interpreted your request as calling for repeal of this provision, and the attached draft has been prepared accordingly. Is this consistent with your intent?

Section 84.30 (10m), stats., also provides that failure to pay a permit fee within two months after its due date is evidence that the sign has been abandoned. This portion of s. 84.30 (10m), stats., is dependent upon the fee provision and is therefore also repealed in the attached draft. Is this consistent with your intent?

Under Wis. Adm. Code, TRANS ch. 201, DOT currently assesses an annual permit fee on most outdoor advertising signs. The permit duration appears to be a rolling one-year period (like vehicle registrations), rather than a calendar year. DOT rules preclude refunds of the permit fee for periods of less than a year. The attached draft includes an initial applicability provision such that the repeal of s. 84.30 (10m), stats., first applies to permit applications or renewals submitted on the bill's effective date. Is this okay?

The attached draft also includes a delayed effective date to give DOT time to rescind its rule establishing annual permit fees and to prepare for any changes necessitated by the repeal of s. 84.30 (10m), stats. Is this okay?

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