

## 2001 ASSEMBLY BILL 507

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1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 101.10 (2) of the statutes; **relating to:** creating an exemption  
2             from the regulation of anhydrous ammonia.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, the department of commerce is required to promulgate rules relating to the safe storage and handling of anhydrous ammonia. These rules generally do not apply to refrigeration plants where ammonia is used solely as a refrigerant, facilities where ammonia is manufactured, electric generating or cogenerating facilities where ammonia is used as a refrigerant, and ammonia transportation pipelines. This bill creates an additional exemption from these rules for facilities where ammonia is used in pollution control devices.

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

3             **SECTION 1.** 101.10 (2) of the statutes, as affected by 2001 Wisconsin Act 16, is  
4 amended to read:

5             101.10 (2) **RULES.** The department shall promulgate rules that prescribe  
6 reasonable standards relating to the safe storage and handling of anhydrous  
7 ammonia. The rules shall prescribe standards for the design, construction, repair,

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1 alteration, location, installation, inspection, and operation of anhydrous ammonia  
2 equipment. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the rules promulgated  
3 under this subsection do not apply to refrigeration plants where ammonia is used  
4 solely as a refrigerant, facilities where ammonia is used in pollution control devices  
5 or is manufactured, electric generating or cogenerating facilities where ammonia is  
6 used as a refrigerant, and ammonia transportation pipelines. If ammonia is used on  
7 the premises of a facility or plant described under this subsection for a purpose or in  
8 a manner that is not related to the applicable exemption from the rules promulgated  
9 under this subsection, the exemption does not apply to that use.

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**(END)**