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AN ACT *to amend* 348.25 (4) (intro.); and *to create* 348.26 (7) of the statutes; **relating to:** creating a permit authorizing the operation upon a highway of a specialized hauling rig that exceeds statutory size and weight limits.

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

SECTION 1. 348.25 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

348.25 (4) (intro.) Except as provided under s. 348.26 (5) er. (6). or (7) or 348.27 (3m), (9), (9m), (9r), (9t), (10), (12). or (13), permits shall be issued only for the transporting of a single article or vehicle which exceeds statutory size, weight or load limitations and which cannot reasonably be divided or reduced to comply with statutory size, weight or load limitations, except that:

SECTION 2. 348.26 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

348.26 (7) Specialized Hauling Rig Permits. (a) In this subsection, "specialized hauling rig" means a vehicle, or combination of vehicles, that exceeds 100 feet in length and that is designed to transport nondivisible

cargo that is exceptionally heavy. A specialized hauling rig is a nondivisible vehicle within the meaning of 23 CFR 658.5.

(b) The department and those local officials who are authorized to issue permits under sub. (2) may issue single trip permits for the operation of overweight or oversize specialized hauling rigs whose unladen cargobearing component units are loaded or stacked on one or more of the specialized hauling rig's cargo-bearing component units. A permit issued under this paragraph is valid only while the specialized hauling rig is in transit to the site where the cargo to be transported will be loaded onto the specialized hauling rig, and while in transit from the site where the specialized hauling rig delivered its cargo. Every permit issued under this paragraph shall designate the route to be used by the permittee. No permit issued under this paragraph may authorize the operation of a specialized hauling rig that exceeds 120 feet in length or that exceeds the height limitations under s. 348.06.

^{*} Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 1999—00: Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].