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CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 01-040

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Submitted by **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

04-12-01 RECEIVED BY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

05-01-01 REPORT SENT TO AGENCY.

RNS:WF:jal

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE REPORT

This rule has been reviewed by the Rules Clearinghouse. Based on that review, comments are reported as noted below:

1. STATUTORY AUTHORITY [s. 227.15 (2) (a)]

Comment Attached YES NO

2. FORM, STYLE AND PLACEMENT IN ADMINISTRATIVE CODE [s. 227.15 (2) (c)]

Comment Attached YES NO

3. CONFLICT WITH OR DUPLICATION OF EXISTING RULES [s. 227.15 (2) (d)]

Comment Attached YES NO

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 REGULATIONS [s. 227.15 (2) (g)]

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Fiscal Impact. The Department estimates that there will be no fiscal impact on the liabilities or revenues of any county, city, village, town, school district, technical college district or sewerage district.

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(END OF RULE TEXT)

Effective Date. This rule shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin Administrative Register as provided in s. 227.22(2), Stats.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 12th day of April, 2001.



TERRENCE D. MULCAHY, P.E.
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March 5, 2001

Mr. Gary L. Poulson, Deputy Revisor
Revisor of Statutes Bureau
131 West Wilson Street
Suite 800
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

RE: **STATEMENT OF SCOPE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, TRANS 276**

Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed is the Statement of Scope for the proposed amendment of ch. Trans 276. Please publish the Scope Statement in accordance with § 227.135(3), Stats., in the Administrative Register.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Julie A. Johnson".

Julie A. Johnson
Paralegal

Enclosures

cc: Richard G. Chandler/DOA State Budget Director
Senator Judy Robson, Co-Chair/JCRAR
Representative Glenn Grothman, Co-Chair/JCRAR
Alice Morehouse
Mike Goetzman
Ashwani Sharma

STATEMENT OF SCOPE

DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECTIVE OF THE RULE:

This proposal will amend ch. Trans 276, which establishes a network of highways on which long combination vehicles may operate, by adding one highway segment to the network. The actual segment being proposed is State Trunk Highway 48 from STH 53 in Rice Lake to STH 40.

DESCRIPTION OF EXISTING POLICIES RELEVANT TO THE RULE AND OF NEW POLICIES PROPOSED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RULE AND AN ANALYSIS OF POLICY ALTERNATIVES:

Federal law requires the Department of Transportation to react within 90 days to requests for changes to the long truck route network. Wisconsin state law requires that the Department use the administrative rule process to deal with changes to the long truck route network. Chapter Trans 276 is an existing rule set up for long truck routes. The Department has received a request from Birchwood Lumber and Veneer Company, Birchwood, WI, to add the highway segment.

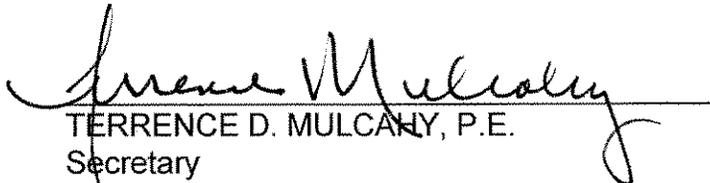
STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR THE RULE:

s. 348.07(4), Stats.

ESTIMATES OF THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT STATE EMPLOYEES WILL SPEND DEVELOPING THE RULE AND OF OTHER RESOURCES NECESSARY TO DEVELOP THE RULE:

It is estimated that state employees will spend 40 hours on the rule-making process, including research, drafting and conducting a public hearing.

Signed at Madison, Wisconsin, this 2 day of March, 2001.


TERRENCE D. MULCAHY, P.E.
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April 12, 2001

The Honorable Judy Robson
Senate Chairman
Joint Committee for Review
of Administrative Rules
Room 15 South, State Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin 53702

The Honorable Glenn Grothman
Assembly Chairman
Joint Committee for Review
of Administrative Rules
Room 15 North, State Capitol
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RE: **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** and Text of Proposed Rule, relating to **allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on specified highways, Trans 276**

Dear Senator Robson and Representative Grothman:

Enclosed for your information is a Notice of Public Hearing and Text of Proposed Rulemaking relating to the above-entitled matter. These documents have also been filed with the Revisor of Statutes, the Legislative Council, and the Department of Administration in accordance with the requirements of §§ 227.15 and 227.17, Stats.

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Enclosure

cc: Alice Morehouse
Mike Goetzman
Ashwani Sharma

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The Honorable Fred Risser
President, Wisconsin State Senate
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Madison, Wisconsin 53707

May 23, 2001

The Honorable Scott Jensen
Speaker, Wisconsin State Assembly
Room 315 North, State Capitol
Madison, Wisconsin 53707

RE: Proposed Administrative Rule **TRANS 276**
Notification of Legislative Standing Committees
CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 01-040

Gentlemen:

Enclosed is a copy of Clearinghouse Rule **01-040**, relating to **allowing the operation of double bottoms and certain other vehicles on certain specified highways**. The rule is submitted to you for referral to the appropriate standing committees.

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JAJ/dim

Enclosure

cc: Gary Poulson (Deputy Revisor of Statutes)/Legislative Rules
Clearinghouse/Senator Judy Robson/Representative Glenn Grothman/
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CR 01-040

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**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
ON THE FINAL RULE DRAFT**

This report is submitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and Assembly for referral to the appropriate standing committees. The report consists of the following parts:

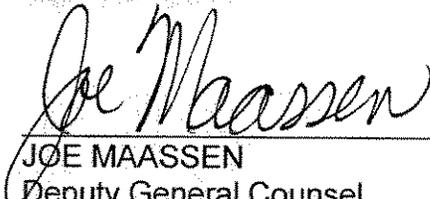
Part 1--Analysis prepared by the Department of Transportation.

Part 2--Rule text in final draft form.

Part 3--Recommendations of the Legislative Council.

Part 4--Analysis prepared pursuant to the provisions of s. 227.19(3), Stats.

Submitted by:



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(b) **Modifications as a Result of Testimony at Public Hearing.** The public hearing was held in Madison on May 15, 2001. No modifications were made to the proposed rule as a result of testimony at the hearing.

(c) **List of Persons who Appeared or Registered at Public Hearing.** No one appeared at the hearing. A written comment was received from Representative Mary Hubler in favor of the rule.

(d) **Response to Legislative Council Recommendations.** The Legislative Council made no recommendations to the proposed rule.

(e) **Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis.** The provisions of this proposed rule adding highway segments to the designated system have no direct adverse effect on small businesses, and may have a favorable effect on those small businesses which are shippers or carriers using the newly-designated routes.