ENGROSSED 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 566

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AN ACT to repeal 350.10 (1) (e); to renumber and amend 350.09 (6) and 350.09 (7); to amend 350.09 (8) and 350.10 (1) (d); to repeal and recreate 350.095 (2) (d); and to create 350.095 (title), 350.095 (1) (title), 350.095 (2) (title) and 350.095 (2) (c) and (d) of the statutes; relating to: noise level requirements for snowmobiles and granting rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Engrossment information:

The text of Engrossed 2005 Assembly Bill 566, as passed by the assembly on November 10, 2005, consists of the following documents adopted in the assembly on November 10, 2005: the bill as affected by Assembly Amendment 1 (as affected by Assembly Amendment 1 thereto) and Assembly Amendment 2. The text also includes the September 1, 2005, chief clerk's corrections to the bill.

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

SECTION 1. 350.09 (6) of the statutes is renumbered 350.095 (2) (a) and amended to read:

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1	350.095 (2) (a) No snowmobile shall may be manufactured, sold, offered for
2	sale, or operated unless it is equipped with a muffler in good working order, which.
3	(b) For snowmobiles manufactured after July 1, 1972, a muffler that is in good
4	working order is one that blends the exhaust noise into the overall engine noise and
5	is in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual exhaust and engine noise
6	that exceeds the applicable noise level standards established under pars. (c) and (d).
7	Section 2. 350.09 (7) of the statutes is renumbered 350.095 (1) (a) and
8	amended to read:
9	350.095 (1) (a) Every snowmobile manufactured after July 1, 1972, and offered
10	for sale or sold in this state shall be so constructed as to limit total vehicle noise to
11	not more than 82 decibels of A sound pressure at 50 feet, as measured by society of
12	automotive engineers standards. Every snowmobile that is manufactured on or after
13	July 1 2, 1975, and that is offered for sale or sold in this state as a new snowmobile
14	shall be <u>manufactured</u> so constructed as to limit total vehicle noise to not more than
15	78 decibels of A sound pressure, as measured by society of automotive engineers
16	Society of Automotive Engineers standards.
17	(b) No snowmobile shall may be modified by any person in any manner that
18	shall amplify or otherwise increase total noise emission vehicle noise above that
19	emitted by the snowmobile as originally constructed manufactured, regardless of
20	date of manufacture.
21	SECTION 3. 350.09 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:
22	350.09 (8) Subsection (7) Section 350.095 does not apply to snowmobiles
23	competing in a sanctioned race or derby or to snowmobiles being tested by
24	manufacturers, distributors or dealers on lands under their control.
25	Section 4. 350.095 (title) of the statutes is created to read:

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1	350.095 (title) Noise level requirements.
2	Section 5. 350.095 (1) (title) of the statutes is created to read:
3	350.095 (1) (title) Noise level standards; total vehicle noise.
4	Section 6. 350.095 (2) (title) of the statutes is created to read:
5	350.095 (2) (title) Noise level standards; exhaust and engine noise.
6	SECTION 7. 350.095 (2) (c) and (d) of the statutes are created to read:
7	350.095 (2) (c) For every snowmobile manufactured after July 1, 1972, and
8	before July 2, 1975, the noise level standard for exhaust and engine noise shall be
9	90 decibels as measured in accordance with the procedures established for the
10	measurement of exhaust sound levels of stationary snowmobiles in the January 2004
11	Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J2567.
12	(d) For every snowmobile manufactured on or after July 2, 1975, the noise level
13	standard for exhaust and engine noise shall be 88 decibels as measured in accordance
14	with the procedures established for the measurement of exhaust sound levels of
15	stationary snowmobiles in the January 2004 Society of Automotive Engineers
16	Standard J2567.
17	SECTION 7m. 350.095 (2) (d) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin Act
18	(this act), is repealed and recreated to read:
19	350.095 (2) (d) 1. Except as provided in subd. 2., for every snowmobile
20	manufactured on or after July 2, 1975, the noise level standard for exhaust and
21	engine noise shall be 88 decibels as measured in accordance with the procedures
22	established for the measurement of exhaust sound levels of stationary snowmobiles
23	in the January 2004 Society of Automotive Engineers Standard J2567.

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2. After consulting with the snowmobile recreational council, the department	
may promulgate a rule that establishes a noise level standard for exhaust and engine	
noise that is other than 88 decibels.	
SECTION 8. 350.10 (1) (d) of the statutes is amended to read:	
350.10 (1) (d) In such a way that the exhaust of the motor makes an excessive	
or unusual noise and engine noise exceeds the applicable noise level standard	
specified in s. 350.095 (2) (c) or (d).	
Section 9. 350.10 (1) (e) of the statutes is repealed.	
SECTION 10m. Effective date.	
(1) The repeal and recreation of section 350.095 (2) (d) of the statutes takes	
effect on the first day of the 25th month beginning after publication.	

(END)