



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Senate Bill 533

**Senate
Substitute Amendment 1**

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2005 Senate Bill 533 authorizes cities, villages, and towns to, by ordinance, do all of the following:

- Allow the use of neighborhood electric vehicles on roadways over which they have jurisdiction.
- License neighborhood electric vehicles used within the city, village, or town.

The bill defines “neighborhood electric vehicle” as a self-propelled motor vehicle that meets the definition and safety standards for low-speed vehicles under federal law and that has completed a specified test program of the federal Department of Energy.

Senate Substitute Amendment 1 differs from the bill in the following ways:

- Operation of neighborhood electric vehicles is limited to roadways that have a speed limit of 35 miles per hour or less.
- The city, village, or town must enter into an agreement with, or obtain the consent of, each governing body that shares jurisdiction over a roadway within the city, village, or town to permit the vehicles to use or cross the roadway.

Legislative History

The Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Information Technology recommended adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 533, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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