



## 2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 957

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1     **AN ACT to amend** 348.26 (2); and **to create** 348.26 (4m) of the statutes; **relating**  
2             **to:** single trip permits for overweight vehicles transporting certain buildings on  
3             the highways.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Current law imposes size, weight, and load limits on vehicles that travel on the highways. The Department of Transportation (DOT) and local highway officials may issue certain permits authorizing the permittee to operate a vehicle that exceeds these limits on vehicle size, weight, or load. With the exception noted below, DOT may issue single trip permits authorizing the operation of vehicles exceeding statutory length limits on state trunk highways, and local highway officials may issue single trip permits authorizing the operation of vehicles exceeding statutory length limits on local highways under their jurisdiction and on state trunk highways within the county or municipality which they represent. However, only DOT may issue a single trip permit for the movement of an oversize mobile home, regardless of the highways to be used.

Under this bill, DOT may issue single trip permits for the movement of manufactured homes or manufactured buildings, regardless of the highways to be used, but local highway officials may not issue these permits. These permits may not be issued for operation of a vehicle combination exceeding 110 feet in overall length or for movement of a manufactured home or manufactured building exceeding 80 feet in length.

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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

1           **SECTION 1.** 348.26 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           348.26 (2) PERMITS FOR OVERSIZE OR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES OR LOADS. Except as  
3 provided in sub. subs. (4) and (4m), single trip permits for oversize or overweight  
4 vehicles or loads may be issued by the department for use of the state trunk highways  
5 and by the officer in charge of maintenance of the highway to be used in the case of  
6 other highways. Such local officials also may issue such single trip permits for use  
7 of state trunk highways within the county or municipality which they represent.  
8 Every single trip permit shall designate the route to be used by the permittee.  
9 Whenever the officer or agency issuing such permit deems it necessary to have a  
10 traffic officer escort the vehicle through the municipality or county, a reasonable fee  
11 for such traffic officer's services shall be paid by the permittee. All moneys received  
12 from fees imposed by the department under this subsection shall be deposited in the  
13 general fund and credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.395 (5) (dg).

14           **SECTION 2.** 348.26 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

15           348.26 (4m) PERMITS FOR MOVEMENT OF CERTAIN BUILDINGS. Single trip permits  
16 for the movement of manufactured homes as defined in s. 101.91 (2) (am) or  
17 manufactured buildings as defined in s. 101.71 (6) may be issued only by the  
18 department, regardless of the highways to be used. Every such permit shall  
19 designate the route to be used by the permittee. No permit may be issued under this  
20 subsection for operation of a vehicle combination exceeding 110 feet in overall length

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1 or for movement of a manufactured home or manufactured building exceeding 80 feet  
2 in length.

3 **SECTION 3. Initial applicability.**

4 (1) This act first applies to single trip permits issued on the effective date of this  
5 subsection.

6 **SECTION 4. Effective date.**

7 (1) This act takes effect on the first day of the 3rd month beginning after  
8 publication.

9 (END)