2007 SENATE BILL 277

October 2, 2007 – Introduced by Senators Erpenbach, Breske, Cowles, Wirch, Risser, Olsen, Lassa and Grothman, cosponsored by Representatives Kaufert, Musser, Mursau, Albers, Benedict, Boyle, Cullen, Gottlieb, Hahn, Hraychuck, Jeskewitz, Kerkman, LeMahieu, Nelson, A. Ott, Sheridan, Turner and Ziegelbauer. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Tourism and Insurance.

- AN ACT *to amend* 350.10 (1) (gm) of the statutes; **relating to:** a speed limit for
- 2 the operation of snowmobiles during the hours of darkness.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law imposes a speed limit of 55 miles per hour on the operation of snowmobiles during the hours of darkness. Current law defines "hours of darkness" as the period of time between one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise and all other times when there is not enough natural light to clearly see a person or a vehicle that is 500 feet away. Current law sunsets this provision on July 1, 2007. This bill extends the sunset to July 1, 2010.

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

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

- **SECTION 1.** 350.10 (1) (gm) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 350.10 (1) (gm) During the hours of darkness at a rate of speed exceeding 55
- 5 miles per hour. This paragraph does not apply after July 1, 2007 2010.

6 (END)