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2009 SENATE BILL 244

July 28, 2009 – Introduced by Senators Lassa and Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives Schneider, Brooks, Jorgensen and Ballweg. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Tourism, Forestry, and Natural Resources.

1 AN ACT to amend 86.195 (2) (ag) 8. of the statutes; relating to: specific

information signs on certain portions of STH 21.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Transportation may authorize the erection and maintenance of specific information signs on designated highways under its jurisdiction. The signs indicate that certain businesses located near a highway provide motorist services in one or more of the following categories: gas, food, lodging, camping, or attractions. Currently, specific information signs are authorized on STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah to USH 41 at Oshkosh.

This bill eliminates the authorization for specific information signs on STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah to I 39/USH 51 in Waushara County. The bill does not affect the current authorization for specific information signs on STH 21 from I 39/USH 51 in Waushara County to USH 41 at Oshkosh.

For further information see the *state* 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.** 86.195 (2) (ag) 8. of the statutes is amended to read:
- 4 86.195 (2) (ag) 8. STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah I 39/USH 51 in Waushara
- 5 <u>County</u> to USH 41 at Oshkosh.

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SECTION 2. Nonstatutory provisions.

- (1) Notwithstanding section 86.195 (2) (ag) 8. of the statutes, after the effective date of this subsection, the department of transportation may not issue or renew any permit for a business sign, as defined in section 86.195 (1) (ar) of the statutes, that is mounted, or intended to be mounted, on a specific information sign, as defined in section 86.195 (1) (d) of the statutes, erected on STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah to I 39/USH 51 in Waushara County. No later than July 1, 2011, the department of transportation shall remove all specific information signs erected on STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah to I 39/USH 51 in Waushara County.
- (2) After the effective date of this subsection, for purposes of section 86.196 (2) (m), (3), and (4) of the statutes, the department of transportation shall treat STH 21 from I 94 north of Tomah to I 39/USH 51 in Waushara County as though it is not designated in section 86.195 (2) (ag) of the statutes for specific information signs.
- **SECTION 3. Effective dates.** This act takes effect on the day after publication, except as follows:
- (1) The treatment of section 86.195 (2) (ag) 8. of the statutes takes effect on July 1, 2011.

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