

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 457

Assembly Amendment 1

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Current law requires that barriers used to close a road during construction or repair, or when the road is impassable or unsafe for travel, must be lighted at night. Additionally, contractors doing work that obstructs city streets or sidewalks must put up and maintain barriers and lights to prevent accidents.

2009 Assembly Bill 457 allows road closure and other barriers placed by highway authorities or contractors to either be lighted at night or be of retroreflective material or markings so as to be visible at night.

Assembly Amendment 1 strikes the language in Assembly Bill 457 requiring barriers to be lighted at night or made of retroreflective material and instead requires such barriers to conform to standards for traffic control devises in the manual adopted by the Department of Transportation under s. 84.02 (4) (e), Stats.

Legislative History

On April 1, 2010, the Assembly Committee on Transportation recommended Assembly Amendment 1 for adoption by a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 0. Assembly Bill 457, as amended, was recommended for passage on a vote of Ayes, 10; Noes, 0.

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