2011 ASSEMBLY BILL 629

February 24, 2012 - Introduced by Representatives WYNN, SPANBAUER and RINGHANb, cosponsored by Senator T. CULLEN. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

AN ACT to renumber 349.12; and to create 349.12 (2) of the statutes; relating to: no-passing zones on state trunk highways within the boundaries of a municipality.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Transportation (DOT), county highway committees, and local authorities may, in accordance with standards and procedures adopted by DOT, designate no-passing zones on highways under their respective jurisdictions and may mark the zones with signs and pavement markings. Under this bill, a city, village, or town may also designate no-passing zones on state trunk highways within the city, village, or town boundary without regard to any standards or procedures adopted by DOT and may mark the zones with signs and pavement markings.

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

SECTION 1. 349.12 of the statutes is renumbered 349.12 (1).

SECTION 2. 349.12 (2) of the statutes is created to read:

349.12 (2) Notwithstanding ss. 84.02 (4) (e) and 349.065, a municipality may determine, in regard to state trunk highways within the municipal boundary, where
overtaking and passing or driving to the left of the center of the roadway would be especially hazardous and may, by signs approved by the department or by a yellow unbroken line on the pavement on the right-hand side of and adjacent to the center line or a lane line of a roadway, indicate the beginning and end of the zones.