2011 SENATE BILL 458


AN ACT to create 349.217 of the statutes; relating to: authorizing local governments to appoint traffic control attendants for special events.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill authorizes any municipality or county to adopt an ordinance under which traffic control attendants may be appointed for the protection of persons crossing highways at special events in the municipality or county. Any appointment of a traffic control attendant must specify all dates and times, and locations, for which the appointment is valid. No municipality or county may appoint a person as a traffic control attendant unless the person has received prior training in traffic control and traffic safety. A person appointed as a traffic control attendant must wear an insignia or uniform that designates the person as a traffic control attendant and must be equipped with signals or signs to direct traffic at the event.

For further information see the 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. 349.217 of the statutes is created to read:

349.217 Authority to appoint traffic control attendants. (1) The governing body of any municipality or county may by ordinance provide for the
appointment of traffic control attendants for the protection of persons who are
crossing a highway at or near a location where a special event is being held in the
municipality or county.

(2) If a person is appointed as a traffic control attendant under sub. (1), the
appointment shall specify all dates and times, and locations, for which the
appointment is valid.

(3) No municipality or county may appoint a person as a traffic control
attendant under sub. (1) unless the person has received prior training in traffic
control and traffic safety.

(4) During the dates and times, and at the locations, specified in the
appointment as provided in sub. (2), a person appointed as a traffic control attendant
shall wear an insignia or uniform that designates the person as a traffic control
attendant and be equipped with signals or signs to direct traffic at or near the special
event.