



## 2013 ASSEMBLY BILL 282

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 348.07 (2) (g), 348.07 (2) (gv) and 348.07 (4); and *to create*  
2             348.07 (2) (gr) of the statutes; **relating to:** the length of vehicles that may be  
3             operated on the highway without an overlength permit.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

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

4             **SECTION 1.** 348.07 (2) (g) of the statutes is amended to read:  
5             348.07 (2) (g) 48 feet for a semitrailer or trailer operated as part of a 2-vehicle  
6             combination, except as provided in par. (gr) or (gv).

7             **SECTION 2.** 348.07 (2) (gr) of the statutes is created to read:  
8             348.07 (2) (gr) 53 feet for a semitrailer whose length from kingpin to axle does  
9             not exceed 43 feet and which is operated as part of a 2-vehicle combination on a  
10            highway designated under sub. (4). The length limits in this paragraph do not apply  
11            to a trailer or a semitrailer that is authorized to operate under par. (im).

**ASSEMBLY BILL 282****SECTION 3**

1           **SECTION 3.** 348.07 (2) (gv) of the statutes is amended to read:

2           348.07 (2) (gv) 53 feet for a semitrailer whose length from kingpin to axle does  
3 not exceed 43 feet and which is operated as part of a 2–vehicle combination, except  
4 as provided in par. (gr) or sub. (4m). The length limits in this paragraph do not apply  
5 to a trailer or a semitrailer that is authorized to operate under par. (im).

6           **SECTION 4.** 348.07 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

7           348.07 (4) The secretary shall, by rule, designate the highways to which sub.  
8 (2) (f), (fm), ~~and (gm), and (gr)~~ and s. 348.08 (1) (e) apply. The designation of highways  
9 under this subsection may not be inconsistent with the designation of highways  
10 made by the U.S. secretary of transportation under P.L. 97–424, section 411. The  
11 secretary may also designate additional highways by rule. In adopting a rule  
12 designating other highways, which may include 2–lane highways, the secretary  
13 shall specify the factors which resulted in the determination to designate the  
14 highways. These factors shall include, but are not limited to, safety, economics,  
15 energy savings, industry productivity and competition. Vehicles to which sub. (2) (f),  
16 (fm), ~~and (gm), and (gr)~~ and s. 348.08 (1) (e) apply may also operate on highways not  
17 designated under this subsection for a distance of 15 miles or less in order to obtain  
18 access to a highway designated under this subsection or to reach fuel, food,  
19 maintenance, repair, rest, staging, terminal or vehicle assembly facilities or points  
20 of loading or unloading. The secretary may, by rule, designate an access route of more  
21 than 15 miles from a highway designated under this subsection when the longer  
22 route provides safer and better access to a location which is within the 15–mile limit.  
23 Household goods carriers may operate between highways designated under this  
24 subsection and points of loading and unloading.

25           **SECTION 5. Initial applicability.**

