

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 13-0579/2	Introduction Number SB-75	Estimate Type Original
Description Operating certain three-vehicle combinations on highways		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

BILL SUMMARY

This bill allows a person to operate, without a permit, a three-vehicle combination not exceeding 70 feet in overall length if the three vehicle combination consists of:

1. A towing vehicle serving as the power unit is equipped with a fifth wheel coupling.
2. The second vehicle in the three-vehicle combination is a recreational vehicle or camping trailer, including any combination camping-horse trailer.
3. The third vehicle in the three-vehicle combination is a recreational vehicle or camping trailer or a trailer carrying any vehicle for recreational use, carrying equestrian equipment and equestrian supplies for recreational purposes, or carrying no load.

If the total loaded weight of all towed vehicles exceeds 3,000 pounds, one of the towed vehicles must also be equipped with brakes. These three-vehicle combinations may not be operated if specified highway or weather conditions are present.

FISCAL EFFECT

There is no expected fiscal effect on the department from this bill. 2011 Wisconsin Act 59 allows the operation of recreational three-vehicle combinations without a permit under certain restrictions. This bill adds additional allowances and restrictions for certain recreational three-vehicle combinations.

The department, therefore, expects that the legislation will impose no new costs or administrative burdens, nor will it produce new state revenues.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.