



**WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
ACT MEMO**

2015 Wisconsin Act 42
[2015 Assembly Bill 28]

**Nonfunctioning or Malfunctioning
Traffic Control Signals**

BACKGROUND

Current law requires traffic controlled by traffic control signals exhibiting different colored lights to perform certain actions based upon the color of light that is exhibited by the signal and whether the light displayed by the signal is flashing. Statutes also require traffic to stop at an official stop sign. [ss. 346.37 (1), 346.39, and 346.46, Stats.]

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The Act adds a new requirement specifying that, if a traffic control signal suffers a loss of power or otherwise malfunctions so that the traffic control signal does not exhibit any color of light, traffic must proceed as if the traffic control signal were a stop sign.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.wisconsin.gov>.