2021 SENATE BILL 508

August 11, 2021 - Introduced by Senators PETROWSKI, SMITH, CARPENTER, FELZKOWSKI, FEYEN, MARKLEIN, PFAFF, L TAYLOR and WANGGAARD, cosponsored by Representatives CALLAHAN, EDMING, GUNDERM, HAYWOOD, MURSAU, OHNSTAD, SHANKLAND, SNODGRASS, SUBECK and TUSLER. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Local Government.

1 AN ACT to amend 347.26 (7) of the statutes; relating to: warning lamps on highway vehicles.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a Department of Transportation or local highway department vehicle that creates a traffic hazard by its use upon a highway may be equipped with a flashing red or amber dome lamp or with flashing red or amber lamps showing to the front and the rear of the vehicle. Under this bill, any of these lamps may be green.

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

3 SECTION 1. 347.26 (7) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.26 (7) WARNING LAMPS ON CERTAIN HIGHWAY VEHICLES. Any vehicle of the department or a county or municipal highway department which by reason of its use upon a highway creates a vehicular traffic hazard requiring the exercise of unusual care in approaching, overtaking, or passing may be equipped with a flashing red or, amber, or green lamp of the dome-light type or with 2 flashing red, amber,
or green lamps, one showing to the front and one showing to the rear. Such lamp or
The lamps shall be mounted approximately midway between the extremities of the
width of the vehicle and at the highest practicable point and shall be used only for
the purpose of warning operators of other vehicles of the presence of the traffic
hazard.

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