

materials for the eradication of grasshoppers and army worms as provided in section 96.405.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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CHAPTER 297.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) and paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 85.45, subsections (2) and (4) of section 85.47, and subsections (2) and (4) of section 85.48, and to create paragraph (d) of subsection (2) of section 85.45, subsection (5) of section 85.47 and subsection (5) of section 85.48 of the statutes, relating to the size, weight, construction and equipment of vehicles.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (1) and paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 85.45, subsections (2) and (4) of section 85.47, and subsections (2) and (4) of section 85.48 of the statutes are amended to read: (85.45) (1) *The maximum limitations on width, length, height and weight of vehicles, imposed in this chapter, shall apply to the vehicle and load.* It shall be unlawful for any person to operate or move or for the owner to cause or permit to be operated or moved on any highway any vehicle of a size or weight * * * *so loaded that the combination of vehicle and load shall exceed* the limitations stated in this * * * *chapter* or any vehicle which is not constructed or equipped as required by this * * * *chapter* or by the rules and regulations adopted pursuant thereto; and the maximum size and weight of vehicles * * * *specified in this chapter* shall be lawful throughout this state and local authorities shall have no power or authority to alter said limitations except as express authority may be granted in this * * * *chapter.*

(2) (c) No motor vehicle shall be driven upon any highway drawing or having attached thereto more than one other vehicle * * * , *and* in no case shall the over-all length of such combination of vehicles exceed * * * *forty-five* feet except as provided in subsection (3) of this section.

(85.47) (2) No vehicle with three or more axles having six or more wheels in contact with the roadway shall be operated on a class "A" highway when the gross weight of such vehicle exceeds thirty-six thousand pounds; and such vehicle shall be subject to the provisions of section 85.49. *Not more than sixty per cent of the weight carried over the rear axles of such vehicle shall be carried over one axle.*

(4) The gross weight carried by the wheels of a semitrailer having two or more axles and having four or more wheels in contact with the roadway, shall not exceed twenty-four thousand pounds when such vehicle is being operated over a class "A" highway; and such vehicle shall be subject to the provisions of section 84.49. *Not more than sixty per cent of the weight carried over the axles of such vehicle shall be carried over one axle.*

(85.48) (2) No vehicle with three or more axles having six or more wheels in contact with the roadway shall be operated on a class "B" highway when the gross weight of such vehicle exceeds twenty-two thousand five hundred pounds; and such vehicle shall be subject to the provisions of section 85.49. *Not more than sixty per cent of the weight carried over the rear axles of such vehicle shall be carried over one axle.*

(4) The gross weight carried by the wheels of a semitrailer having two or more axles and having four or more wheels in contact with the roadway, shall not exceed fifteen thousand pounds when such vehicle is operated over a class "B" highway; and such vehicle shall be subject to the provisions of section 85.49. *Not more than sixty per cent of the weight carried over the axles of such vehicle shall be carried over one axle.*

SECTION 2. A new paragraph is added to subsection (2) of section 85.45 and a new section is added respectively to sections 85.47 and 85.48 of the statutes to read: (85.45) (2) (d) The maximum over-all height of any motor vehicle trailer or semitrailer shall not exceed twelve feet six inches, except as provided by section 85.53. The limitation of total height in this paragraph shall not be construed as requiring a clearance of such height or as relieving the owners of vehicles not exceeding such total height from liability for any damage.

(85.47) (5) Any city of the first class may by ordinance increase the maximum weight specified in this section which may be carried on any vehicle when operated on the streets of such city.

(85.48) (5) Any city of the first class may by ordinance increase the maximum weight specified in this section which may be carried on any vehicle when operated on the streets of such city.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication, except paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section 85.45 which shall take effect July 1, 1935.

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CHAPTER 298.

AN ACT to amend subsection (1) of section 196.85 of the statutes, relating to the payment of the expenditures of the public service commission by the utilities.

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

SECTION 1. Subsection (1) of section 196.85 of the statutes (as amended in chapter 4, laws of 1933) is amended to read: (196.85) (1) Whenever the commission in a proceeding upon its own motion, on complaint, or upon an application to it shall deem it necessary in order to carry out the duties imposed upon it by law to investigate the books, accounts, practices and activities of, or make appraisals of the property of any public utility, power district or railroad or to render any engineering or accounting services to any public utility, power district or railroad, such public utility, power district or railroad shall pay the expenses reasonably attributable to such investigation, appraisal or service. The commission shall ascertain such expenses, and shall render a bill therefor, by registered mail, to the public utility, power district or railroad, either at the conclusion of the investigation, appraisal or services, or from time to time during its progress, which bill shall constitute notice of said assessment and demand of payment thereof. Upon bill so rendered such public utility, power district or railroad shall, within fifteen days after the mailing thereof pay to the commission the amount of the special expense for which it is billed, and such payment when made shall be credited to the appropriation to the commission in subsection (4) of section 20.51. The total amount, in any one calendar year, for which any public utility, power district or railroad shall become liable, by reason of costs incurred by the commission within such calendar year including charges under subsection (2) of section 184.10,