

1971 Senate Bill 38

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AN ACT to amend 347.47 (3) of the statutes, relating to towing or drawing trailers and mobile homes.

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

347.47 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.47 (3) In addition to the hitch and coupling specified in sub. (2), every towed vehicle shall be coupled to the towing vehicle by means of safety chains, leveling bars or cables. This requirement does not apply to a semitrailer having a connecting device composed of a 5th wheel and kingpin assembly, nor to a pole or pipe dolly. The safety chains, leveling bars or cables shall

have only the necessary slack to permit proper turning and safety chains or cables shall be so connected to the towed and towing vehicle to prevent the drawbar from dropping to the ground if the hitch or coupling disengages. Two separate lengths of safety chain, leveling bars or cable shall be required on all trailers and mobile homes ; however, the administrator may authorize use of such other appropriate equipment or methods approved by nationally recognized organizations which recommend safety standards for motor vehicles, after approval of the equipment or methods by the highway committee of the legislative council.
