

1977 Assembly Bill 740

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CHAPTER 228, Laws of 1977

AN ACT to amend 347.25 (2) and 347.44 (4) of the statutes, relating to strobe lights on school busses and granting rule-making authority.

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

SECTION 1. 347.25 (2) of the statutes, as affected by chapter 29, laws of 1977, is amended to read:

347.25 (2) No person ~~shall~~ may operate a school bus which is painted as provided in s. 347.44 unless it is equipped with flashing red signals ~~of a type and actuated in a manner approved by the secretary.~~ In addition to the flashing red signals, the school bus may be equipped with a 360-degree flashing white strobe light with a flash rate of 60 to 120 per minute and shielded so that the strobe cannot be seen directly by the driver of an automobile on a level plane with and within 500' of the school bus. The secretary shall prescribe rules for the type, installation, operation and light output brilliance of the signals and lights required or permitted under this subsection. No vehicle shall ~~may~~ be equipped with such flashing red signals ~~or flashing red signals and a strobe light~~ unless it also is painted as provided in s. 347.44.

SECTION 2. 347.44 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

347.44 (4) If a vehicle mentioned in sub. (2) or (3) is painted as provided in sub. (1), it must also be equipped with flashing red signals of the type specified in s. 347.25 (2) or it may be equipped with flashing red signals and a strobe light as provided in s. 347.25 (2).
