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2021 Wisconsin Act 171 [2021 Senate Bill 625]

Michigan Border Permits

Wisconsin law provides that the Department of Transportation (DOT) may issue an annual or consecutive month permit to exceed statutory weight or size limitations to a vehicle that does not violate length or weight limitations under Michigan law if the vehicle is transporting raw forest products, lumber, or forestry biomass on certain highway routes near Wisconsin's border with Michigan. 2021 Wisconsin Act 171 expands the highway routes for which operation under this type of permit is authorized.

The act adds the following highway routes to the list of routes for which operation is authorized under a Michigan border permit:

- State Trunk Highway (STH) 64 from the junction of STH 64 and U.S. Highway (USH) 45 in the City of Antigo to the junction of STH 64 and USH 141 in Marinette County.
- STH 64 from the junction of STH 64 and USH 141 in Marinette County to the junction of STH 64 and USH 41 in the City of Marinette.
- USH 141, from the Village of Crivitz in Marinette County to the junction of USH 141 and County Highway S in Oconto County.
- USH 41, from the Town of Abrams in Oconto County to the City of Marinette.
- USH 8, from the junction of USH 8 and USH 45 in Oneida County to a point four-tenths of a mile west on USH 8.

The act also extends portions of highway routes for which Michigan border permits were previously authorized as follows:

- The act extends the portion of USH 2 for which operation was previously authorized to also include operation from the junction of USH 2 and Hart Lake Road in Bayfield County westward into Douglas County and allows operation through Marina Drive in the City of Superior and upon Highway 53 from Marina Drive through North 5th Street in the City of Superior.
- The act extends the portion of USH 45 for which operation was previously authorized to also include operation on USH 45 to STH 54 in the City of New London, and also allows operation from the junction of STH 54 and USH 45 in the City of New London to the junction of STH 54 and County Highway S in Outagamie County.

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