

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Senate Bill 542	Senate Amendment 1
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Current law imposes size, weight, and load limits on vehicles that travel on the highways. The Department of Transportation (DOT) and local officials may issue certain permits, including certain single trip permits, authorizing the permittee to operate a vehicle that exceeds those limits on vehicle size, weight, and load.

2005 Senate Bill 542 creates a new single permit provision in s. 348.26 (4m), created in the bill, that specifies that the DOT may issue single tip permits for the movement of manufactured homes or manufactured buildings, regardless of the highways to be used. These new permits may not be issued for operation of a vehicle combination exceeding 110 feet in overall length or for movement of a manufactured home or manufactured building exceeding 80 feet in length.

Under Senate Amendment 1, a new single trip permit would not be created. Instead, the single trip permit would be included in the current single permit provision for mobile home permits, in s. 348.26 (4), Stats. (i.e., DOT is not required to create a new single trip permit). Under the amendment, that current subsection is re-titled "MOBILE HOME, MANUFACTURED HOME, AND MANUFACTURED BUILDING PERMITS" and specifies that:

- 1. Single trip permits for movement of oversize mobile homes, manufactured homes, or manufactured buildings may be issued by DOT, regardless of the highways to be used. Every such permit must designate the route to be used by the permittee.
- 2. No permit may be issued under s. 348.26 (4), Stats., as amended, for operation of a vehicle combination exceeding 110 feet in overall length or for movement of a mobile home, manufactured home, or manufactured building exceeding 80 feet in length. This language is the same as in the bill, except that it includes mobile homes.

Legislative History

Senate Amendment 1 was introduced by Senator Alan Lasee. On March 1, 2006, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation held an executive session on the bill and voted to adopt Senate Amendment 1 and recommend the bill, as amended, for passage, both on votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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