1995 SENATE BILL 41

January 26, 1995 - Introduced by Senator Adelman. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Agriculture and Local Affairs.

- 1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 348.10 (2); and **to create** 348.10 (2) (b) and
- 2 (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** transporting bulk materials by vehicle on a
- 3 highway.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person is permitted to operate a vehicle on a highway unless the vehicle is so constructed and loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping from the vehicle. A forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200 may be imposed for violating this provision.

This bill specifies that a load of bulk material, such as sand, gravel or dirt, that is not in containers must be covered when being transported on a highway to prevent the load from dropping or sifting from the vehicle. Failure to comply with this requirement also may result in a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.

The bill specifies that these provisions do not apply to bulk material being applied to highways for highway construction or maintenance.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 348.10 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 348.10 (2) (a) and amended to read:
- 348.10 (2) (a) No person shall may operate a vehicle on a highway unless such vehicle is so constructed and loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting,
- 8 leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom.

SECTION 2. 348.10 (2) (b) and (c) of the statutes are created to read:
348.10 (2) (b) No person may operate on a highway a vehicle loaded with bulk
material, such as sand, gravel or dirt, that is not in containers unless the vehicle is
so loaded and covered as to prevent the load from dropping or sifting from the vehicle.
(c) This subsection does not apply to the application of a bulk material to a
highway for the purpose of maintenance or construction of the highway.
(END)