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2005 ASSEMBLY BILL 281

April 4, 2005 - Introduced by Representatives Colon, Hines, Sinicki, Van Akkeren, Parisi, Sheridan, Pocan, Lehman, Seidel and Molepske, cosponsored by Senators Zien, Taylor, Darling, Carpenter, Miller, Decker and Lassa. Referred to Committee on Transportation.

- AN ACT to create 84.1024 of the statutes; relating to: designating and marking
- 2 USH 45 as the Wisconsin Labor Highway.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill directs the Department of Transportation (DOT) to designate the entire route in this state of USH 45 from the Wisconsin-Illinois border to the Wisconsin-Michigan border as the "Wisconsin Labor Highway" in recognition and appreciation of the contributions and achievements of organized labor to the economic well-being, health, and welfare of the state's citizens.

The bill directs DOT to erect and maintain signs that mark the designated route upon receipt of sufficient funds, other than state funds, from interested parties to cover the cost of erecting and maintaining the markers.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

- 3 **Section 1.** 84.1024 of the statutes is created to read:
- 4 **84.1024 Wisconsin Labor Highway.** (1) The department shall designate the route of USH 45, extending from the Wisconsin-Illinois border to the

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Wisconsin-Michigan border, as the "Wisconsin Labor Highway" in recognition and appreciation of the contributions and achievements of organized labor to the economic well-being, health, and welfare of the citizens of this state.

(2) Upon receipt of sufficient contributions from interested parties, including any county, city, village, or town, to cover the cost of erecting and maintaining markers along the route specified in sub. (1) to clearly identify to motorists the designation of the route as the "Wisconsin Labor Highway," the department shall erect and maintain the markers. No state funds, other than from the receipt of contributions under this subsection, may be expended for the erection or maintenance of the markers.

11 (END)