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2019 SENATE BILL 736

January 29, 2020 - Introduced by Senators Petrowski and Schachtner, cosponsored by Representatives Stafsholt, Magnafici and Zimmerman. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Veterans and Military Affairs.

AN ACT to renumber and amend 348.27 (9r); and to create 348.27 (9r) (b) of the statutes; relating to: permits for the overweight transport of the residue material resulting from treatment of municipal sewage.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person may operate on a highway any vehicle that exceeds statutory limits on size or weight. However, the Department of Transportation may issue permits authorizing the transportation of metallic or nonmetallic scrap for the purpose of recycling or processing on a vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds statutory weight or length limitations and for the return of the vehicle or combination of vehicles when empty. Under this permit currently, DOT authorizes the transportation for processing of the residue material resulting from treatment of municipal sewage.

This bill explicitly provides that these permits may include the transportation for processing of the residue material resulting from treatment of municipal sewage on a vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds maximum gross weight limitations by not more than 20,000 pounds and expands the permit to also allow the return of the vehicle or combination of vehicles to the municipal sewage treatment facility while transporting the liquid removed from the residue material during dewatering, including any chemical treatment added to the liquid.

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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:

SECTION 1. 348.27 (9r) of the statutes is renumbered 348.27 (9r) (intro.) and amended to read:

348.27 **(9r)** Transportation of scrap and municipal sewage residue. (intro.) The department may issue an annual or consecutive month permit for the transportation of metallic any of the following:

(a) Metallic or nonmetallic scrap for the purpose of recycling or processing on a vehicle or combination of vehicles which exceeds statutory weight or length limitations and for the return of the vehicle or combination of vehicles when empty. This subsection paragraph does not apply to the transportation of scrap on highways designated as part of the national system of interstate and defense highways, except for the I 39 corridor and the I 41 corridor.

Section 2. 348.27 (9r) (b) of the statutes is created to read:

348.27 **(9r)** (b) The residue material resulting from treatment of municipal sewage for the purpose of processing on a vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds the maximum gross weight limitations under s. 348.15 (3) (c) by not more than 20,000 pounds and for the return of the vehicle or combination of vehicles to the municipal sewage treatment facility while transporting the liquid removed from the residue material during processing, including any chemical treatment added to the liquid. This paragraph does not apply to the transportation of municipal sewage residue material or liquid removed from municipal sewage residue material on

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1	highways designated as part of the national system of interstate and defense
2	highways.
3	Section 3. Nonstatutory provisions.
4	(1) Notwithstanding s. 13.096 (2), the department of transportation may not
5	prepare a report on this bill under s. 13.096 (2) and (3).

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