

**CHAPTER 282**

AN ACT to repeal 85.67 (6); and to repeal and recreate 85.56 of the statutes, relating to the prevention of runaway trailers by the use of stay chains.

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

SECTION 1. 85.56 of the statutes is repealed and recreated to read:

**85.56 TRAILER HITCH; FOLLOWING IN LINE.** (1) No person shall operate a motor vehicle drawing a trailer, semitrailer or mobile home upon a highway unless the hitch or coupling attaching the trailer, semitrailer or mobile home to the vehicle by which it is drawn is of such construction as to cause such trailer, semitrailer or mobile home to follow in direct line with the propelling vehicle without dangerous side swing or wobble.

(2) In addition to the hitch or coupling specified in sub. (1), every such trailer or semitrailer, except those drawn by a motor truck, truck tractor or road tractor, and every such mobile home shall be coupled with stay chains or cables of sufficient size and strength to prevent its parting from the drawing vehicle if the regular hitch or coupling breaks or otherwise becomes disengaged.

SECTION 2. 85.67 (6) of the statutes is repealed.

SECTION 3. If this bill and Bill No. 99, S. both are enacted, it is the legislative intent that s. 85.56, as affected by this bill, shall supersede s. 347.47 (2) (created by Bill No. 99, S.), including any changes made in s. 347.47 (2) by Bill No. 440, S., and the revisor of statutes is directed to renumber s. 85.56 accordingly.

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