

State of Wisconsin



2011 Assembly Bill 609

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2011 WISCONSIN ACT 246

AN ACT *to amend* 62.15 (11) and 86.06 (1) of the statutes; **relating to:** road closure barriers.

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

SECTION 1. 62.15 (11) of the statutes is amended to read:

62.15 (11) STREET OBSTRUCTION. All contractors doing any work which shall in any manner obstruct the streets or sidewalks shall put up and maintain barriers ~~and lights~~ conforming to the standards for traffic control devices in the manual adopted by the department of transportation under s. 84.02 (4) (e) to prevent accidents, and be liable for all damages caused by failure so to do. All contracts shall contain a provision covering this liability, and also a provision making the contractor liable for all damages caused by the negligent digging up of streets,

alleys or public grounds, or which may result from the contractor's carelessness in the prosecution of such work.

SECTION 2. 86.06 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.06 (1) Whenever any highway is impassable or unsafe for travel or during the construction or repair of any such highway and until it is ready for traffic the authorities in charge of the maintenance or construction thereof may keep it closed by maintaining barriers at each end of the closed portion. The barriers shall be of such material and construction and so placed as to indicate that the highway is closed and shall ~~be lighted at night~~ conform to the standards for traffic control devices in the manual adopted by the department of transportation under s. 84.02 (4) (e).

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2009-10 : Effective date of acts. "Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor's partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated" by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].