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CHAPTER 158.

AN ACT to create section 1636—49c of the statutes, relating to the use of streets in cities for heavy traffic, and giving to the common council power within its limits to designate certain streets as arteries for heavy traffic, and to regulate the use of same and to prohibit the use of other streets for such traffic.

The people of the State of Wisconsin, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. A new section is added to the statutes to read: Section 1636—49c. (1) The term "heavy traffic" when used in this section shall mean any cart, dray, wagon, truck, sleigh, or other vehicle including motor trucks or other similar motor vehicles carrying goods, merchandise, timber, stone, building material, wood, manure, dirt or other articles, or solely employed and used for carrying goods, merchandise, timber, stone, building material, wood, manure, dirt or other articles, either loaded or unloaded.

(2) Any city within this state, whether operating under a general or special charter, is hereby authorized, by a majority vote of the common council of such city, by ordinance to set aside any streets within such city and declare the same to be arteries for heavy traffic within the meaning of subsection (1), and such common council may provide for the use thereof and regulate the same.

(3) Whenever any such city shall have set aside streets as arteries for heavy traffic, it may, by ordinance passed by a majority of its common council, provide for the use of and regulate traffic on any other streets within such city and designate what character of vehicles may travel thereon, provided that no such city shall be authorized to prohibit the ordinary use of any such street for the purpose of obtaining orders for and carrying of supplies or any other necessary things to or from any place or residence fronting on said street.

(4) Any such city, by its common council, may prescribe penalties for the violation of any rule or regulation it may prescribe for the use of such arteries of heavy traffic and such other streets as mentioned in subsection (3).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage and publication.

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