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CHAPTER 624

AN ACT to amend 85.45 (2) (a), as amended by chapter 327, laws of 1955, and 194.32 of the statutes, relating to the width of busses.

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

SECTION 1. 85.45 (2) (a), as amended by chapter 327, laws of 1955, of the statutes is amended to read:

85.45 (2) (a) No vehicle including any load thereon shall exceed a total outside width of 8 feet, except that the width of a farm tractor shall not exceed 9 feet and that the limitations as to the size of vehicle stated in this section shall not apply to implements of husbandry temporarily propelled or moved upon the highway or to snowplows attached to motor vehicles normally used for the transportation of milk, which may be not to exceed 10 feet 6 inches in width, or to those vehicles operating under special permits issued in accordance with s. 85.53; and except further that such total width of motor trucks operated prior to July 1, 1929, on solid tires shall not exceed 8 feet 6 inches when equipped with dual pneumatic tires; and except further that the total width of urban passenger busses, busses operated as auxiliary to or as a part of a street railway system in counties of 500,000 population or more * * *, trackless trolleys and passenger busses operated within or between counties of 500,000 or more and counties contiguous thereto, shall not exceed 8 feet 8 inches, and the total width of load of tie logs, pulp wood slabs and unplanned dimension material cut therefrom shall not exceed 8 feet 6 inches.

SECTION 2. 194.32 of the statutes is amended to read:

194.32 No common motor carrier of passengers shall operate any passenger-carrying bus over any public highway of this state with any trailer or semitrailer attached. No interurban motor bus which shall

exceed 40 feet in length or 8 feet in width or is doubled-decked shall be operated upon the public highways under the authority of a common carrier permit, *except that such busses, not to exceed 8 feet 6 inches in width may be operated on highways which are paved 22 feet or more in width and which are located in counties of 500,000 population or more and counties contiguous thereto.* As used in this section an interurban motor bus shall be deemed "double-decked" when passengers are carried therein on an upper level throughout the length of the bus over passengers on a lower level throughout the length of the bus.

Approved October 28, 1955.
