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AN ACT to amend 348.175 of the statutes, relating to seasonal operation of certain vehicles handling forest products.

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

348.175 of the statutes is amended to read:

348.175 SEASONAL OPERATION OF VEHICLES HAULING PEELED OR UNPEELED FOREST PRODUCTS CUT CROSSWISE. The transportation of peeled or unpeeled forest products cut crosswise that not be restricted because in excess of gross weight limitations under s. 348.15 shall be permitted during the winter months when the highways are so frozen that no damage may result thereto by reason of such transportation. If at any time any person is so transporting such products upon a class "A" highway in such frozen condition then he may likewise use a class "B" highway without other limitation, except that chains and other traction devices are prohibited on class "A" highways but such chains and

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devices may be used in cases of necessity. The officers or agencies in charge of maintenance of highways, upon determination of such frozen condition and freedom of damage to such highways by transportation, forthwith shall grant such operating right shall declare particular highways, or highways within areas of the state as eligible for increased weight limitations. Such declaration shall include the maximum weight on each axle, combination of axles and the gross weight allowed. Any person transporting any such product over any highway of this state under this section is liable to the state maintaining authority for any damage caused to such highway.

Approved January 20, 1970.