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AN ACT to amend 346.94 (8) and 346.95 (4); and to create 340.01 (18m) and 346.94 (8m) of the statutes, relating to transporting persons in fifth wheel mobile homes and providing a penalty.

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

SECTION 1. 340.01 (18m) of the statutes is created to read:

340.01 (18m) "Fifth-wheel mobile home" means a mobile home as defined in sub. (29) which is towed by a vehicle with a flatbed frame so the trailer hitch of the mobile home is bolted to the flatbed frame of the towing vehicle.

SECTION 2. 346.94 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.94 (8) Transporting persons in mobile homes or boats. No Except as provided in sub. (8m), no person shall may operate a motor vehicle towing any mobile home or boat on a trailer upon a highway when any person is in such mobile home or boat.

SECTION 3. 346.94 (8m) of the statutes is created to read:

- 346.94 (8m) Transporting persons in fifth-wheel mobile homes. (a) No person may operate a motor vehicle towing a fifth-wheel mobile home upon a highway when any person under the age of 12 years is in the fifth-wheel mobile home unless one person 16 years of age or older is also in the fifth-wheel mobile home.
- (b) No person may operate a motor vehicle towing a fifth-wheel mobile home upon a highway with any person in such mobile home unless the fifth-wheel mobile home is equipped with a two-way communications system in proper working order and capable of providing voice communications between the operator of the towing vehicle and any occupant of the fifth-wheel mobile home.

SECTION 4. 346.95 (4) of the statutes is amended to read:

346.95 (4) Any person violating s. 346.94 (8) or (8m) may be required to forfeit not to exceed \$20 for the first offense or not to exceed \$50 for each subsequent offense.