

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2005 Assembly Bill 98

Assembly Amendment 1

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Assembly Bill 98 requires headlights and other required lamps on a vehicle on a highway to be lighted whenever climatic conditions limit visibility such that objects on a highway are not clearly discernible at a distance of 500 feet from the front of the vehicle.

Assembly Amendment 1 contains two technical revisions to the bill:

- 1. Deleting the word "with" in two places to correct a grammatical error; and
- 2. For the sake of brevity, creating a definition of "periods of reduced visibility" in the general definitions section [s. 340.01, Stats.] of the Motor Vehicle Code. This defined term will include the lengthy language in the bill relating to climatic conditions. The term will be inserted after "hours of darkness" in the appropriate provisions affected by the bill.

Legislative History

Assembly Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Petrowski. On March 16, 2005, the Assembly Committee on Highway Safety adopted the amendment on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0, and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 1.

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