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## 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 135

February 14, 1995 – Introduced by Representatives Krusick, Ainsworth, Bell, Black, Bock, Carpenter, Cullen, Grobschmidt, Hanson, Kaufert, Notestein, R. Potter, Robson, Turner, Wilder, L. Young and R. Young, cosponsored by Senators Burke, Risser, Rosenzweig and Wineke. Referred to Committee on Highways and Transportation.

- $AN\ ACT$  to renumber and amend 348.10 (2); and to create 348.10 (2) (b) and
- 2 (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** transporting bulk materials by vehicle on a highway.

## Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no person is permitted to operate a vehicle on a highway unless the vehicle is so constructed and loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping from the vehicle. A forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200 may be imposed for violating this provision.

This bill specifies that a load of bulk material, such as sand, gravel or dirt, that is not in containers must be covered when being transported on a highway to prevent the load from dropping or sifting from the vehicle. Failure to comply with this requirement also may result in a forfeiture of not less than \$10 nor more than \$200.

The bill specifies that these provisions do not apply to bulk material being applied to highways for highway construction or maintenance.

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

- SECTION 1. 348.10 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 348.10 (2) (a) and amended to read:
  - 348.10 (2) (a) No person shall <u>may</u> operate a vehicle on a highway unless such vehicle is so constructed and loaded as to prevent its contents from dropping, sifting, leaking or otherwise escaping therefrom.

(END)
highway for the purpose of maintenance or construction of the highway.
(c) This subsection does not apply to the application of a bulk material to a
so loaded and covered as to prevent the load from dropping or sifting from the vehicle
material, such as sand, gravel or dirt, that is not in containers unless the vehicle is
348.10 (2) (b) No person may operate on a highway a vehicle loaded with bulk
<b>SECTION 2.</b> 348.10 (2) (b) and (c) of the statutes are created to read: