



2005 SENATE BILL 366

October 4, 2005 - Introduced by Senator HANSEN, cosponsored by Representatives VAN ROY and BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

1 **AN ACT to create** 86.19 (7) of the statutes; **relating to:** the erection of signs
2 prohibiting the use of engine brakes on freeways and expressways.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Transportation (DOT) erects signs for the guidance or warning of traffic along highways, including freeways and expressways. This bill directs DOT to place signs along freeways and expressways prohibiting the use, except in an emergency, of engine brakes if a municipality prohibits the use of engine brakes within the municipality.

For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 86.19 (7) of the statutes is created to read:
4 86.19 (7) In this subsection, "engine brake" means a hydraulically operated
5 device that converts a power-producing diesel engine into a power-absorbing,
6 retarding mechanism that is used to augment or replace the use of the primary brake
7 system or mechanism on a motor vehicle. If the governing body of a municipality

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1 passes a resolution prohibiting the use of engine brakes, except in an emergency, on
2 a freeway or expressway within the municipality, the department shall, at the
3 request of the municipality, erect and maintain signs along the freeway or
4 expressway stating that the use of engine brakes are prohibited except in an
5 emergency.

6 (END)