



**ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,
TO 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 151**

December 7, 1995 - Offered by COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION.

1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 348.27 (9m); *to amend* 348.25 (4) (intro.); and
2 *to create* 348.27 (9m) (a) 2. and 348.27 (9t) of the statutes; **relating to:** weight
3 and length limitations for vehicles and combinations of vehicles transporting
4 potatoes and granting rule-making authority.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** 348.25 (4) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
6 348.25 (4) (intro.) Except as provided under s. 348.26 (5) or (6) or 348.27 (3m),
7 (9), (9m), (9r), (9t), (10), (12) or (13), permits shall be issued only for the transporting
8 of a single article or vehicle which exceeds statutory size, weight or load limitations
9 and which cannot reasonably be divided or reduced to comply with statutory size,
10 weight or load limitations, except that:

11 **SECTION 2.** 348.27 (9m) of the statutes is renumbered 348.27 (9m) (a) (intro.)
12 and amended to read:

13 348.27 (**9m**) (a) (intro.) The department may issue annual or consecutive
14 month permits for the transportation of raw any of the following:

1 1. Raw forest products or ~~for the transportation~~ of fruits or vegetables from
2 field to storage or processing facilities in vehicles or vehicle combinations that exceed
3 the maximum gross weight limitations under s. 348.15 (3) (c) by not more than 10,000
4 pounds.

5 **(b)** A permit issued under ~~this subsection~~ par. (a) does not authorize the
6 operation of any vehicle or vehicle combination at a maximum gross weight in excess
7 of 90,000 pounds. This subsection does not apply to highways designated as part of
8 the national system of interstate and defense highways.

9 **SECTION 3.** 348.27 (9m) (a) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

10 **348.27 (9m)** (a) 2. Bulk potatoes from storage facilities to rail loading facilities
11 in vehicle combinations that exceed the maximum gross weight limitations under s.
12 348.15 (3) (c) by not more than 10,000 pounds. A permit under this subdivision shall
13 be valid only on USH 51 between CTH "V" and CTH "B" in Waushara and Portage
14 counties, and for a distance not to exceed 15 miles from that portion of USH 51 in
15 order to obtain access to USH 51 or to reach fuel, food, maintenance, repair, rest,
16 staging, terminal facilities or points of loading or unloading.

17 **SECTION 4.** 348.27 (9t) of the statutes is created to read:

18 **348.27 (9t)** TRANSPORTATION OF POTATOES. The department may issue annual
19 or consecutive month permits for the transportation of potatoes intended for use as
20 seed in specially configured vehicle combinations that exceed the maximum gross
21 weight limitations under s. 348.15 (3) (c) by not more than 10,000 pounds. A permit
22 issued under this subsection does not authorize the operation of any vehicle
23 combination at a maximum gross weight in excess of 90,000 pounds. A permit under
24 this subsection may authorize operation during a spring thaw and shall be valid only
25 on STH 64 between CTH "H" and USH 41 in Langlade, Oconto and Marinette

1 counties; USH 41 between STH 64 and the Wisconsin-Michigan border; and any
2 highway for a distance not to exceed 15 miles from any portion of STH 64 or USH 41
3 specified in this subsection in order to obtain access to STH 64 or USH 41 or to reach
4 fuel, food, maintenance, repair, rest, staging, terminal facilities or points of loading
5 or unloading. The department shall establish by rule configuration requirements for
6 vehicle combinations under this subsection and such requirements may permit
7 vehicle combinations to exceed the length requirements of s. 348.07. The department
8 may establish by rule an alternative route for any portion of a highway specified in
9 this subsection.

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(END)