



2015 SENATE BILL 509

January 6, 2016 - Introduced by Senators PETROWSKI, MOULTON and OLSEN, cosponsored by Representatives SPIROS, E. BROOKS, R. BROOKS, HUTTON, RIPP, SKOWRONSKI and T. LARSON. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Veterans Affairs.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 348.17 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes; **relating to:** seasonal
2 weight limitations for certain vehicles transporting agricultural crops.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, with limited exceptions, no person may operate upon a highway any vehicle or combination of vehicles that exceeds certain statutory weight limits unless the person obtains a permit issued by the Department of Transportation or a local authority. Under one exception, certain vehicles or vehicle combinations transporting agricultural crops may, without a permit, exceed weight limits by not more than 15 percent from September 1 to December 31 of each year.

This bill extends the annual beginning date for this exception from September 1 to August 1.

Because this bill concerns an exception to the vehicle weight limits specified in ch. 348, stats., the Department of Transportation, as required by law, will prepare a report to be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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.** 348.17 (5) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:

