

- SUPPORTING PROPOSED LEGISLATION AB 475 AND SB 386 CHANGING LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMAL-DRAWN VEHICLES OPERATED ON HIGHWAYS -

WHEREAS, under current law, a vehicle drawn by an animal operating during hours of darkness requires at least one front lamp or lantern white light visible from a distance of 500 feet and two rear lamps or lanterns red light visible from a distance of 500 feet; and

WHEREAS, recent fatalities and accidents on highways in Wisconsin by animal-drawn vehicles are happening due to visibility related issues; and

WHEREAS, SB 585 amends Wis. Stat. § 347.24(2) to include lighting requirements during inclement weather as well as striking the use of lamps or lanterns, requiring lights, and requiring strobe lighting on the rear of animal-drawn vehicles.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors hereby supports Assembly Bill 475 and Senate Bill 386 changing lighting requirements for animal-drawn vehicles operated on highways.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Eau Claire County Board of Supervisors directs the county clerk to forward this resolution to the governor, Representative Kathleen Bernier, Senator Terry Moulton, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.

ADOPTED: February 21, 2018

Janet K. Loomis  
County Clerk

