



## **Fact Sheet: H.R. 2353 – To amend title 23, United States Code, with respect to the operation of vehicles on certain Wisconsin highways, and for other purposes.**

### **Background Information**

- Except for the Interstate System, states determine truck size and weight limits on public roads within each state.
- When a non-Interstate road is upgraded to Interstate designation, the road then must comply with Interstate size and weight limits, which could differ from the previous state size and weight limits.
- Section 127 of title 23, United States Code, prescribes commercial vehicle size and weight limits on the Interstate System.
  - 80,000 gross vehicle weight
  - 20,000 single axle
  - 34,000 tandem axle
- Currently, under Wisconsin state law, certain commercial vehicles are permitted to operate at weights greater than 80,000 pounds on Highway 41 in Wisconsin between Green Bay and Milwaukee.
- Highway 41 in Wisconsin is expected to become part of the federal Interstate System in 2014.

### **Summary**

- H.R. 2353 was introduced on June 13, 2013 by Representative Tom Petri (R-WI).
- This legislation would grandfather commercial vehicles currently operating on Highway 41 in Wisconsin, between Green Bay and Milwaukee, to continue operating after that segment is designated as part of the federal Interstate System.

### **Subcommittee Action**

None.

**Amendments**

None are expected.

**Statement of Administration Policy**

None.

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