



State of Wisconsin
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2015 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 51

September 15, 2015 – Introduced by Senators OLSEN, HARSDORF, LASSA, PETROWSKI, RINGHAND, VINEHOUT and WANGGAARD, cosponsored by Representatives RIPP, DANOU, GOYKE, A. OTT, PETRYK, POPE, SPIROS, SUBECK, TITTL, MURSAU and SPREITZER. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

1 **Relating to:** proclaiming the second week in September each year as Towing
2 Industry Awareness Week.

3 Whereas, there are hundreds of thousands of people across the United States
4 employed in the American towing industry, including tow truck drivers, dispatchers,
5 safety advisors, owners, etc.; and

6 Whereas, more than one tow truck operator is killed every week assisting
7 motorists on the road, which is higher than law enforcement officer and fire fighter
8 deaths from accidents on the side of the road combined; and

9 Whereas, tow truck operators nationwide respond to nearly 15 million
10 accidents per year with almost 9 million going unreported, which calculates to 3
11 injury accidents every minute; and

12 Whereas, in Wisconsin, there were over 115,000 crashes in 2013, most of which
13 required assistance from tow truck operators; and

