



Legislation Text

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**Fiscal Note**

The proposed ordinance change reduces the distance for audible amplification from a motor vehicle from 75 feet to 50 feet and specifically applies the ordinance to pedal-cabs and commercial quadricycles. The change may result in an increase in forfeitures, however, it is not anticipated to have a significant impact on revenues.

**Title**

Amending 24.09(6)(a) and 11.06 of the Madison General Ordinances to reduce the distance of permitted motor vehicle sound amplification and apply the reduced distance to all public passenger vehicles.

**Body**

DRAFTER'S ANALYSIS: Wis. Stat. § 346.94(16) prohibits amplified sound from a motor vehicle that is audible from a distance of 75 or more feet. However, Wis. Stat. § 349.135 gives municipalities explicit permission to create an ordinance to prohibit amplified sound from a motor vehicle audible from a distance of 50 or more feet. Currently, Sec. 24.09(6) uses 75 feet. This amendment would reduce the distance for audible amplification from a motor vehicle to 50 feet. While this 50-foot distance automatically applies to all motor vehicles including public passenger vehicles such as taxis and low-speed vehicles, this ordinance applies the amplification distance to all public passenger vehicles including pedal cabs and commercial quadricycles.

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The Common Council of the City of Madison do hereby ordain as follows:  
Please see "Body" in Attachments.