



General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on COMMERCE

Introduced by:
(CE)

**AN ACT INCREASING THE GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF VEHICLES
HAULING AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 14-267a of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
3 *October 1, 2013*):

4 (b) The axle weight on any axle and the gross weight of any vehicle
5 or combination of vehicle and trailer or vehicle and semitrailer or any
6 other object, including its load, may not exceed the lesser of the
7 manufacturer's axle weight rating, the manufacturer's gross vehicle
8 weight rating or the following axle and gross weight limits: (1) The
9 weight on any single axle shall not exceed twenty-two thousand four
10 hundred pounds or, in the case of axles spaced less than six feet apart,
11 eighteen thousand pounds on each axle; (2) a two-axle vehicle shall
12 comply with the axle requirements specified in subdivision (1) of this
13 subsection, and shall not exceed a maximum gross vehicle weight of
14 thirty-six thousand pounds; (3) a three-axle vehicle shall comply with
15 the axle requirements specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection
16 and shall not exceed a maximum gross vehicle weight of fifty-three

17 thousand eight hundred pounds; (4) a three-axle combination of
 18 vehicle and trailer or vehicle and semitrailer shall comply with the axle
 19 requirements specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection and shall
 20 not exceed a maximum gross vehicle weight of fifty-eight thousand
 21 four hundred pounds; (5) a four-or-more-axle vehicle or combination
 22 of vehicle and trailer or vehicle and semitrailer shall comply with the
 23 axle requirements specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection and
 24 shall not exceed a maximum gross vehicle weight of sixty-seven
 25 thousand four hundred pounds; (6) a four-or-more-axle vehicle or
 26 combination of vehicle and trailer or vehicle and semitrailer where the
 27 distance between the first and last axle is not less than twenty-eight
 28 feet shall comply with the axle requirements specified in subdivision
 29 (1) of this subsection and shall not exceed a maximum gross vehicle
 30 weight of seventy-three thousand pounds; (7) the gross vehicle weight
 31 of (A) a bulk milk pickup tanker, or (B) a vehicle or combination of
 32 vehicle and trailer or vehicle and semitrailer hauling agricultural
 33 commodities shall not exceed [ninety-nine] one hundred thousand
 34 pounds, provided the weight of the bulk milk pickup tanker or such
 35 vehicle or combination is permitted under the federal-aid highway
 36 amendments of 1974, 88 Stat. 2281, 23 USC 101 et seq., as amended
 37 from time to time; and (8) notwithstanding the provisions of this
 38 subsection and subsection (e) of this section, a vehicle or combination
 39 of vehicle and semitrailer may be operated on any highway or bridge
 40 without a written permit, provided it is in compliance with the axle
 41 requirements specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection, and
 42 provided such vehicle or combination is in compliance with the
 43 federal-aid highway amendments of 1974, 88 Stat. 2281, 23 USC 101 et
 44 seq., as amended from time to time, including the gross vehicle weight
 45 limit of eighty thousand pounds and the following weight distribution
 46 formula:

T1
 T2

$$W = 500 \left(\left(\frac{LN}{\quad} \right) + 12N + 36 \right)$$

