

Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2045

5 By: Representative Davenport
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8 **For An Act To Be Entitled**

9 AN ACT CONCERNING THE WEIGHT AND LENGTH OF
10 EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND THE VEHICLES THAT ARE
11 TOWED BY EMERGENCY VEHICLES; AND FOR OTHER
12 PURPOSES.
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14 **Subtitle**

15 CONCERNING THE WEIGHT AND LENGTH OF
16 EMERGENCY VEHICLES AND THE MOTOR
17 VEHICLES THAT ARE TOWED BY EMERGENCY
18 VEHICLES.
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21 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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23 *SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 27-35-210, concerning permits for special*
24 *cargoes, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:*

25 *(m)(1) The State Highway Commission is authorized to issue special*
26 *permits to towing businesses for the operation of wreckers or towing vehicles*
27 *used as emergency vehicles under § 27-36-305(b) when the operation and*
28 *movement of the vehicle or combination of vehicles exceeds the maximum size*
29 *and weight limitations imposed by law as provided under this subsection.*

30 *(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary*
31 *and upon application and payment of a permit fee not to exceed five hundred*
32 *dollars (\$500), the commission, through the Director of State Highways and*
33 *Transportation, may issue a special permit valid for one (1) single trip or*
34 *for a one-year-period that authorizes a towing business licensed under § 27-*
35 *50-1203 to move at any time of day or night a vehicle that is disabled or*



1 wrecked when that movement:

2 (A) Results in an oversized, overweight, or both oversized
3 and overweight combination of vehicles; and

4 (B) Is the initial movement of disabled or wrecked
5 vehicles or combination of vehicles from highways, roads, streets, or highway
6 right-of-ways to:

7 (i) The nearest point of storage or repair used by
8 the towing or wrecker company;

9 (ii) The nearest point of storage or repair used by
10 the owner or operator of the vehicle; or

11 (iii) The nearest authorized repair center for the
12 vehicle.

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14 /s/ Davenport

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16 APPROVED: 4/9/2009