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A Bill

SENATE BILL 1072

5 By: Senator Files
6 By: Representative Wren
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For An Act To Be Entitled

9 AN ACT TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SINGLE AND TANDEM
10 AXLE LOAD LIMITS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

14 TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING SINGLE AND
15 TANDEM AXLE LOAD LIMITS.
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18 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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20 *SECTION 1.* Arkansas Code § 27-35-203(i)(2), concerning maximum weight
21 of single and tandem axle vehicle load limits, is amended to read as follows:

22 (2)(A) A truck tractor and single semi-trailer combination with
23 five (5) axles hauling sand, gravel, rock, or crushed stone shall comply with
24 a tandem axle limit of thirty-four thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.) and a single
25 axle limit of twenty thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.) provided that the total
26 gross weight shall not exceed eighty thousand pounds (80,000 lbs.).

27 (B) Vehicles, or combinations of vehicles, with five (5)
28 axles hauling unfinished and unprocessed farm products, forest products, or
29 other products of the soil shall comply with a tandem axle limit of thirty-
30 six thousand five hundred pounds (36,500 lbs.) and a single axle limit of
31 twenty thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.) provided that the total gross weight
32 shall not exceed eighty-five thousand pounds (85,000 lbs.).

33 (C) Vehicles or combinations of vehicles with five (5)
34 axles hauling animal feed to livestock or poultry and properly permitted
35 under § 27-35-210 shall comply with a tandem axle limit of thirty-six
36 thousand five hundred pounds (36,500 lbs.) and a single axle limit of twenty



1 thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.), provided that the total gross weight shall not
2 exceed eighty-five thousand pounds (85,000 lbs.).

3 (D) Provided However, no tandem axle shall exceed thirty-
4 four thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.) while operated on the federal interstate
5 highways of this state.

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7 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 27-35-210, concerning permits for special
8 cargoes, is amended to add an additional subsection to read as follows:

9 (n) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary and
10 upon application and payment of a permit fee not to exceed five hundred
11 dollars (\$500), the commission may issue a special permit valid for one (1)
12 single trip or for a one-year period that authorizes the movement of a
13 vehicle or combination of vehicles with five (5) axles hauling animal feed to
14 livestock or poultry, which exceeds the maximum gross weight as provided in §
15 27-35-203, but not exceeding eighty-five thousand pounds (85,000 lbs.).

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