

Stricken language would be deleted from present law. Underlined language would be added to present law.

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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 2213

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5 By: Representative Critcher

For An Act To Be Entitled

9 "AN ACT TO REPEAL SUBSECTION (i) OF ARKANSAS CODE
10 § 27-35-203 REGARDING THE EXEMPTION FOR VEHICLES HAULING
11 SAND, GRAVEL, AND STONE OR HAULING UNFINISHED FARM AND
12 FOREST PRODUCTS FROM THE OVERWEIGHT LIMITS FOR SINGLE AND
13 TANDEM AXLES AND FROM THE BRIDGE FORMULA; AND FOR OTHER
14 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

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17 "TO REPEAL THE EXEMPTION FOR VEHICLES
18 HAULING SAND, GRAVEL, AND STONE OR
19 HAULING UNFINISHED FARM AND FOREST
20 PRODUCTS FROM THE OVERWEIGHT LIMITS."

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22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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24 SECTION 1. Subsection (i) of Arkansas Code § 27-35-203, regarding the
25 exemption for vehicles hauling sand, gravel, and stone or hauling unfinished
26 farm and forest products from the single and tandem axle load limits and the
27 bridge formula, is repealed.

28 ~~—— (i)(1) Vehicles, or combinations of vehicles, with five (5) axles~~
29 ~~hauling sand, gravel, rock, or crushed stone and vehicles or combinations of~~
30 ~~vehicles with five (5) axles hauling unfinished and unprocessed farm products,~~
31 ~~forest products, or other products of the soil shall be exempt from the~~
32 ~~federal bridge formula found in subsection (e) of this section on~~
33 ~~noninterstate highways in this state.~~

34 ~~—— (2)(A) Vehicles, or combinations of vehicles, with five (5) axles~~
35 ~~hauling sand, gravel, rock, or crushed stone shall comply with a tandem axle~~
36 ~~limit of thirty-four thousand pounds (34,000 lbs.) and a single axle limit of~~

1 ~~twenty thousand pounds (20,000 lbs.).~~

2 ~~—— (B) Vehicles, or combinations of vehicles, with five (5) axles hauling~~
3 ~~unfinished and unprocessed farm products, forest products, or other products~~
4 ~~of the soil shall comply with a tandem axle limit of thirty-six thousand five~~
5 ~~hundred pounds (36,500 lbs.) and a single axle limit of twenty thousand pounds~~
6 ~~(20,000 lbs.).~~

7 ~~—— (C) Provided, no tandem axle shall exceed thirty-four thousand pounds~~
8 ~~(34,000 lbs.) while operated on the federal interstate highways of this state.~~

9 ~~—— (3) No vehicle, or combination of vehicles, meeting all of the~~
10 ~~requirements of this subsection, shall be allowed any variance on overall~~
11 ~~gross weight or axle weight while operating on the federal interstate~~
12 ~~highways.~~

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14 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of general and permanent nature
15 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
16 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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18 SECTION 3. If any provisions of this act or the application thereof to
19 any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect
20 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
21 the invalid provisions or application, and to this end the provisions of this
22 act are declared to be severable.

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24 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
25 hereby repealed.

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