

House Bill 451

By: Representative Epps of the 144th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 general provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, so as to prohibit
3 adoption of an ordinance by a county or municipal corporation restricting the travel of certain
4 vehicles on certain roads within their respective systems without providing for certain
5 exceptions; to provide for authority of a county or municipal corporation to require certain
6 documentation as proof of right to travel on certain restricted roads within their respective
7 systems; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

9 style="text-align:center">**SECTION 1.**

10 Chapter 60 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to general
11 provisions applicable to counties and municipal corporations, is amended by adding a new
12 Code section to read as follows:

13 "36-60-27.

14 (a) Any ordinance issued by a county or municipal corporation regarding a prohibition of
15 travel on certain roads in their respective road systems by vehicles having a gross weight
16 in excess of 36,000 pounds, including the load, or having an overall length in excess of 30
17 feet, shall allow for an exception for travel by such vehicle when such vehicle is:

18 (1) Making a delivery of cargo on such road;

19 (2) Proceeding to a location on such road to pick up or deliver a load;

20 (3) Performing a service on such road; or

21 (4) Traveling on such road and avoidance of such road by the driver of such vehicle
22 would result in an increase of routing of more than ten miles from the most direct route
23 to or from a road within the state highway system as such term is defined in Code Section
24 32-4-1.

25 (b) A county or municipal corporation may through local ordinance require that the driver
26 of a vehicle operating pursuant to the exceptions provided for in subsection (a) of this Code

27 section make available and provide to law enforcement for inspection the driver's log
28 books, delivery slips, or other written evidence of the driver's destination and the point of
29 origin to justify the presence of such vehicle on such restricted road."

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SECTION 2.

31 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.