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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 232—ASSEMBLYMEN WOODBURY; AIZLEY,  
ANDERSON, ELLISON, GOEDHART, GOICOECHEA, GRADY,  
HAMBRICK, HAMMOND, HARDY, HICKEY, KIRNER, KITE,  
LIVERMORE, MCARTHUR, SHERWOOD AND STEWART

MARCH 3, 2011

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JOINT SPONSORS: SENATORS HARDY,  
GUSTAVSON; AND SETTELMAYER

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

**SUMMARY**—Revises provisions governing the payment of certain fees for permits to operate certain oversized and overweight vehicles on the highways of this State. (BDR 58-868)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets **[omitted material]** is material to be omitted.

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AN ACT relating to motor carriers; authorizing the payment in installments of certain fees for permits issued by the Department of Transportation to operators of certain combination vehicles; requiring the Department to adopt regulations establishing the amount and due date of such installment payments; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 Existing law requires the operator of a combination of vehicles which exceeds  
2 70 feet in length and which weighs more than 80,000 pounds to obtain a special  
3 permit from the Department of Transportation to operate the vehicles in this State  
4 and requires the operator to pay the annual fee for the permit at the time the permit  
5 is issued. (NRS 484D.615, 706.531) This bill requires the Department to adopt  
6 regulations providing for the payment of the annual fee in installments by operators  
7 of longer combination vehicles.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1       **Section 1.** NRS 706.531 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
2       706.531 1. The Department of Transportation shall approve  
3 an application for a permit pursuant to the provisions of subsection 5  
4 of NRS 484D.615. The permit must be carried and displayed in such  
5 a manner as the Department determines on every combination so  
6 operating. The permit issued may be transferred from one  
7 combination to another, under such conditions as the Department  
8 may by regulation prescribe, but must not be transferred from one  
9 person or operator to another without prior approval of the  
10 Department. The permit may be used only on motor vehicles  
11 regularly licensed pursuant to the provisions of NRS 482.482.  
12       2. The annual fee for each permit for a combination of vehicles  
13 is \$60 for each 1,000 pounds or fraction thereof of gross weight in  
14 excess of 80,000 pounds. The fee must be reduced one-twelfth for  
15 each month that has elapsed since the beginning of each calendar  
16 year, rounded to the nearest dollar, but must not be less than \$50.  
17 The annual fee for each permit for a combination of vehicles not  
18 exceeding 80,000 pounds is \$10. The fee ~~[must be paid]~~ *required*  
19 *pursuing to this subsection is* in addition to all other fees required  
20 by the provisions of this chapter. *Except as otherwise provided in*  
21 *subsections 3 and 4, the annual fee for a permit to operate a*  
22 *longer combination vehicle may be paid in installments. The*  
23 *Department of Transportation shall adopt regulations establishing*  
24 *the amount of such installment payments and the dates on which*  
25 *they are due.*  
26       3. Any person operating a combination of vehicles licensed  
27 pursuant to the provisions of subsection 2 who is apprehended  
28 operating a combination in excess of the gross weight for which the  
29 fee in subsection 2 has been paid is, in addition to all other penalties  
30 provided by law, liable for the difference between the fee for the  
31 load being carried and the fee paid, for the full licensing period.  
32       4. Any person apprehended operating a combination of  
33 vehicles without having complied with the provisions of this section  
34 and NRS 484D.615 is, in addition to all other penalties provided by  
35 law, liable for the payment of the fee which would be due pursuant  
36 to the provisions of subsection 2 for the balance of the calendar year  
37 for the gross load being carried at the time of apprehension.  
38       5. The holder of an original permit may, upon surrendering the  
39 permit to the Department or upon delivering to the Department a  
40 signed and notarized statement that the permit was lost or stolen and  
41 such other documentation as the Department may require, apply to  
42 the Department:



1 (a) For a refund of an amount equal to that portion of the fees  
2 paid for the permit that is attributable, on a pro rata monthly basis,  
3 to the remainder of the calendar year; or

4 (b) To have that amount credited against excise taxes due  
5 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 366 of NRS.

6 **6. As used in this section:**

7 (a) *“Longer combination vehicle” means a combination of*  
8 *vehicles composed of a truck-tractor and two or more trailers or*  
9 *semitrailers which exceeds 70 feet in length and for which the*  
10 *Department of Transportation has issued a permit to operate at a*  
11 *declared gross weight of more than 80,000 pounds but not more*  
12 *than 129,000 pounds.*

13 (b) *“Truck-tractor” has the meaning ascribed to it in*  
14 *NRS 482.130.*

15 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval  
16 for the purpose of adopting regulations and performing any other  
17 preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the  
18 provisions of this act, and on January 1, 2012, for all other purposes.



