

1 ENGROSSED SENATE  
2 BILL NO. 690

By: Allen of the Senate

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6 An Act relating to motor vehicles; amending 47 O.S.  
7 2011, Section 14-103, as amended by Section 1,  
8 Chapter 8, O.S.L. 2018 (47 O.S. Supp. 2018, Section  
9 14-103), which relates to size, weight and load of  
10 vehicles; modifying certain vehicle height  
11 restriction; updating statutory language; providing  
12 an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

13 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

14 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 47 O.S. 2011, Section 14-103, as  
15 amended by Section 1, Chapter 8, O.S.L. 2018 (47 O.S. Supp. 2018,  
16 Section 14-103), is amended to read as follows:

17 Section 14-103. Except as otherwise provided for by this  
18 chapter:

19 A. No vehicle, with or without load, shall have a total outside  
20 width in excess of one hundred two (102) inches excluding:

21 1. Tire bulge;

22 2. Approved safety devices;

23 3. A retracted awning with a width of eight (8) inches or less  
24 or other appurtenance of four (4) inches or less which is attached

1 to the side of a recreational vehicle, as defined in Section 1102 of  
2 this title; and

3 4. Pins used as a safety precaution or as a load-assisting  
4 device if the pins do not extend the overall width of the vehicle  
5 beyond nine (9) feet. The State of Oklahoma hereby declares it has  
6 determined, in accordance with 23 C.F.R., Section 658.15, that such  
7 pins are necessary for the safe and efficient operation of motor  
8 vehicles.

9 The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any person  
10 engaged in the hauling of round baled hay with a total outside width  
11 of eleven (11) feet or less when the hay is owned by such person and  
12 is being hauled for any purpose other than resale. The provisions  
13 of this subsection shall also not apply to any county official or  
14 employee engaged in the hauling or pulling of a trailer or equipment  
15 owned by the county on the county roads of such county.

16 B. No vehicle, with or without load, shall exceed a height of  
17 thirteen and one-half (13 1/2) feet on any state or county road, or  
18 fourteen (14) feet on any turnpike, interstate, or other federal  
19 highway, unless a greater height is authorized by a special permit  
20 issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety or an authorized  
21 representative of the Commissioner in consultation with the  
22 Department of Transportation specifying the highways to be used,  
23 consistent with public convenience and safety. The prohibitions on  
24 movement as prescribed in subsection F of Section 14-101 of this

1 title and paragraph 1 of subsection G of Section 14-101 of this  
2 title shall not apply to vehicles operated pursuant to such permits.

3 C. 1. No single truck, with or without load, shall have an  
4 overall length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of  
5 forty-five (45) feet.

6 2. No single bus, with or without load, shall have an overall  
7 length, inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of forty-five  
8 (45) feet.

9 3. a. On the National Network of Highways which includes the  
10 National System of Interstate and Defense Highways and  
11 four-lane divided Federal Aid Primary System Highways,  
12 no semitrailer operating in a truck-  
13 tractor/semitrailer combination shall have a length  
14 greater than fifty-three (53) feet, except as provided  
15 in subsection C of Section 14-118 of this title which  
16 shall apply to semitrailers exceeding fifty-three (53)  
17 feet but not exceeding fifty-nine (59) feet six (6)  
18 inches. On the National System of Interstate and  
19 Defense Highways and four-lane divided Federal Aid  
20 Primary System Highways, no semitrailer or trailer  
21 operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer and trailer  
22 combination shall have a length greater than fifty-  
23 three (53) feet.

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1           b. On roads and highways not a part of the National  
2           System of Interstate and Defense Highways or four-lane  
3           divided Federal Aid Primary System Highways, no  
4           semitrailer operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer  
5           combination shall have a length greater than fifty-  
6           three (53) feet and no semitrailer or trailer  
7           operating in a truck-tractor/semitrailer and trailer  
8           combination shall have a length greater than twenty-  
9           nine (29) feet. Except as provided for in subsection  
10          D of Section 14-118 of this title, no other  
11          combination of vehicles shall have an overall length,  
12          inclusive of front and rear bumpers, in excess of  
13          seventy (70) feet on all roads and highways. For the  
14          purposes of this paragraph, oil field rig-up trucks  
15          shall be considered to be truck-tractors, when towing  
16          a trailer or semitrailer.

17          4. No combination of vehicles shall consist of more than two  
18 units, except:

19           a. one truck and semitrailer or truck-tractor/semitrailer  
20           combination may tow one complete trailer or  
21           semitrailer, or

22           b. vans, suburbans, blazers or other similar types of  
23           vehicles and self-propelled recreational vehicles with  
24           a three-quarter (3/4) ton or more rated capacity may

1 tow a semitrailer and one complete trailer or  
2 semitrailer for recreational purposes only, provided  
3 the overall length, inclusive of the front and rear  
4 bumpers, does not exceed sixty-five (65) feet.

5 5. Poles and gas lines used to maintain public utility  
6 services, not to include new construction, may be moved during  
7 daylight hours, and during nighttime hours only in an emergency,  
8 subject to traffic and road restrictions promulgated by the  
9 Commissioner of Public Safety, when the overall length does not  
10 exceed eighty (80) feet. When this length is exceeded, these loads  
11 are subject to the requirements of Section 14-118 of this title.

12 6. For the purposes of paragraphs 1, 3, and 4 of this  
13 subsection, the length of unitized equipment, which is defined to be  
14 equipment so constructed and attached to a rubber-tired vehicle that  
15 the vehicle and load become a unit and are for all practical  
16 purposes inseparable, shall be the length of the vehicle itself, and  
17 shall not include any protrusion of the equipment load so  
18 constructed or attached. ~~Said~~ The equipment shall not protrude for  
19 a distance greater than two-thirds (2/3) of the wheel base of ~~said~~  
20 the vehicle, shall not impair the driver's vision, and if less than  
21 seven (7) feet above the roadway, shall be safely marked, flagged or  
22 illuminated. Any such protruding structure shall be securely held  
23 in place to prevent dropping or swaying. Unitized equipment shall  
24 carry such safety equipment as shall be determined to be necessary

1 for the safety, health, and welfare of the driving public by the  
2 Commissioner of Public Safety.

3 7. For the purposes of paragraphs 1, 3, and 4 of this  
4 subsection, a truck-tractor, when being towed by another vehicle  
5 with the wheels of its steering axle raised off the roadway, shall  
6 be considered to be a semitrailer as defined in Section 1-162 of  
7 this title.

8 8. The provisions of paragraphs 1 and 3 of this subsection  
9 shall not apply to any contractor or subcontractor, or agents or  
10 employees of any contractor or subcontractor, while engaged in  
11 transporting material to the site of a project being constructed by,  
12 for, or on behalf of this state or any city, town, county, or  
13 subdivision of this state.

14 9. Special mobilized machinery, as defined in Section 1102 of  
15 this title, which exceeds the size provisions of this section shall  
16 only use the highways of the State of Oklahoma by special permit  
17 issued by the Commissioner of Public Safety or an authorized  
18 representative of the Commissioner. Such special permit shall be:

19 a. a single-trip permit issued under the provisions of  
20 Section 14-116 of this title, or

21 b. a special annual oversize permit issued for one (1)  
22 calendar year period upon payment of a fee of Ten  
23 Dollars (\$10.00) plus any amount as provided by  
24 subsection H of Section 14-118 of this title.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

2 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
3 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
4 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
5 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

6 Passed the Senate the 12th day of March, 2019.

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9 Presiding Officer of the Senate

10 Passed the House of Representatives the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
11 2019.

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