

1 H.148

2 Introduced by Representatives Masland of Thetford, Bancroft of Westford,
3 Briglin of Thetford, Conquest of Newbury, and Nolan of
4 Morristown

5 Referred to Committee on

6 Date:

7 Subject: Motor vehicles; trucks; annual overweight permits; fees

8 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to increase from
9 99,000 pounds to 107,000 pounds the authorized weight of truck combinations
10 with six or more axles that may lawfully operate on Vermont highways under a
11 special annual overweight permit issued by the Department of Motor Vehicles,
12 and specify a fee of \$700.00 for vehicles permitted for a weight above 99,000
13 pounds and up to 107,000 pounds.

14 An act relating to special annual overweight permits for truck combinations
15 with six or more axles

16 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

17 Sec. 1. 23 V.S.A. § 1392(17) is amended to read:

18 (17) Notwithstanding the gross vehicle weight provisions of subdivision
19 (4) of this section, a truck trailer combination or truck tractor, semi-trailer
20 combination with six or more load-bearing axles shall be allowed to bear a

1 maximum of ~~99,000~~ 107,000 pounds by special annual permit, which shall
2 expire coincidentally with the vehicle's registration, except for vehicles not
3 registered in Vermont in which case the permit shall become void on January 1
4 following the date of issue, for operating on designated routes on State and
5 town highways, subject to the following:

6 (A) The combination of vehicles must have, as a minimum, a
7 distance of 51 feet between extreme axles.

8 (B) The axle weight provisions of section 1391 of this title and
9 subdivision 1392(6) of this section shall also apply to vehicles permitted under
10 this subdivision.

11 (C) When determining the fine for a gross overweight violation of
12 this subdivision, the fine for any portion of the first 10,000 pounds over the
13 permitted weight shall be the same as provided in section 1391a of this title,
14 and for overweight violations 10,001 pounds or more over the permitted
15 weight, the fine schedule provided in section 1391a shall be doubled.

16 (D) The weight permitted by this subdivision shall be allowed for
17 foreign trucks ~~which~~ that are registered or permitted for ~~99,000~~ up to 107,000
18 pounds in a state or province ~~which~~ that recognizes Vermont vehicles for
19 weights consistent with this subdivision.

1 (E) Unless authorized by federal law, the provisions of this
2 subdivision (17) shall not apply to operation on the Interstate and Defense
3 Highway System.

4 (F) The fee for the annual permit as provided in this subdivision (17)
5 shall be \$415.00 for vehicles bearing up to 90,000 pounds ~~and~~; \$560.00 for
6 vehicles bearing up to 99,000 pounds; and \$700.00 for vehicles bearing up to
7 107,000 pounds.

8 (G) [Repealed.]

9 Sec. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE

10 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.