

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 100th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 561, L.D. 758, Bill, "An Act Relating to Weight of Commercial Vehicles Hauling Forest Products."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the last line of the table, which reads "31 and over.....50,000 60,000" and inserting in place thereof the following:

"provided;-hewever; that no vehicle shall have a gross weight imparted to any road surface of more than 22,000 pounds on any one axle, and no vehicle having 2 or more axles less than 8 feet apart shall be operated, or caused to be operated, with more than 18,000 pounds imparted to the road surface from either axle or 32,000 pounds from both axles; provided further, that no vehicle shall be so operated, or caused to be operated, when the load imparted to the road surface is greater than 600 pounds per inch width tire, manufacturer's rating; except,-however, that 3-axle trucks with brakes on the wheels of all axles hauling forest products may be operated for a gross weight of 48,000 pounds with a distance between the extreme axles of not less than 18 feet, and except,-further, that 3-axle trucks with brakes on the wheels of all axles hauling construction materials may be operated for a gross weight of 48,000 pounds with a distance between the extreme axles of not less than 16 feet, provided that 15% additional weight shall be allowed 3-axle trucks hauling construction material with a tire size of at least 11x20 or 11x22 but not permitting, validating or in any way applying to the use of the Interstate System as defined in the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 by venicles with weights carried on any one axle, tandem axie weights or overall gross weight or with width in excess of the applicable maximum weights or maximum widths permitted by the provisions of section 108 (j) of the Federal Aid Highway Act of 1956 and except that in special cases, special permits for the transportation of individual shipments in loads of greater gross weights may be granted by the State Highway Commission or such appropriate commission or official as is duly authorized elsewhere in this chapter. All trucks with 4 or more axles shall have adequate brakes on the wheels of all axles.'"

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