

## Session 121 - (2015-2016)

### H\*4932 (Rat #0205, Act #0188 of 2016) General Bill, By Allison

**Summary:** Vehicle weights and lengths

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-4070, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO MAXIMUM LENGTHS OF VEHICLES THAT MAY BE OPERATED ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, SO AS TO PROVIDE A MAXIMUM LENGTH FOR TRAILERS OR SEMITRAILERS USED TO TRANSPORT VEHICLES USED IN CONNECTION WITH MOTORSPORTS COMPETITION EVENTS; TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-4130, RELATING TO THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT UPON ANY WHEEL OF CERTAIN VEHICLES ALLOWED TO OPERATE ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT AN OVER-THE-ROAD BUS, MOTORHOME, OR CERTAIN VEHICLES USED AS INTRASTATE PUBLIC AGENCY TRANSIT PASSENGER BUSES ARE EXCLUDED FROM CERTAIN AXLE WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS BUT ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM AXLE WEIGHT LIMIT; TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-4140, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF VEHICLES ALLOWED TO OPERATE ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, SO AS TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES, TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHTS OF CERTAIN VEHICLES THAT MAY BE OPERATED ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, AND TO PROVIDE THAT AN OVER-THE-ROAD BUS, MOTORHOME, OR CERTAIN VEHICLES USED AS INTRASTATE PUBLIC AGENCY TRANSIT PASSENGER BUSES ARE EXCLUDED FROM CERTAIN AXLE SPACING REQUIREMENTS BUT ARE LIMITED TO A MAXIMUM SINGLE AXLE WEIGHT LIMIT; TO AMEND SECTION 56-5-4160, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO THE ENFORCEMENT OF PROVISIONS THAT ESTABLISH WEIGHT LIMITS FOR VEHICLES THAT OPERATE ALONG THE STATE'S HIGHWAYS, SO AS TO REVISE THE MAXIMUM WEIGHT LIMIT ALLOWED FOR A VEHICLE OR COMBINATION OF VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH AN IDLE REDUCTION SYSTEM AND TO ALLOW CERTAIN VEHICLES FUELED PRIMARILY BY NATURAL GAS TO EXCEED THE GROSS, SINGLE AXLE, TANDEM AXLE, OR BRIDGE FORMULA WEIGHT LIMITS UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; TO AMEND SECTION 56-35-30, RELATING TO VEHICLES EQUIPPED WITH AUXILIARY POWER UNITS, SO AS TO REVISE THE ALLOWABLE GROSS WEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE USED TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE VEHICLE HAS VIOLATED PROVISIONS RELATING TO VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS; AND TO AMEND SECTION 48-20-280, RELATING TO THE APPLICABILITY OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA MINING ACT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT THIS ACT DOES NOT APPLY TO CERTAIN ACTIVITIES OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA PORTS AUTHORITY. - ratified title

02/11/16	House	Introduced and read first time (House Journal-page 89)
02/11/16	House	Referred to Committee on Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 89)
03/23/16	House	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Education and Public Works (House Journal-page 8)
03/28/16		Scrivener's error corrected
04/12/16	House	Amended (House Journal-page 18)
04/12/16	House	Read second time (House Journal-page 18)
04/12/16	House	Roll call Yeas-100 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 18)
04/13/16	House	Read third time and sent to Senate (House Journal-page 10)
04/13/16		Scrivener's error corrected
04/13/16	Senate	Introduced and read first time (Senate Journal-page 6)
04/13/16	Senate	Referred to Committee on Transportation (Senate Journal-page 6)
05/03/16	Senate	Committee report: Favorable with amendment Transportation (Senate Journal-page 8)
05/04/16		Scrivener's error corrected
05/11/16	Senate	Committee Amendment Adopted (Senate Journal-page 61)
05/12/16	Senate	Read second time (Senate Journal-page 25)
05/12/16	Senate	Roll call Ayes-43 Nays-0 (Senate Journal-page 25)
05/17/16	Senate	Read third time and returned to House with amendments (Senate Journal-page 16)
05/19/16	House	Concurred in Senate amendment and enrolled (House Journal-page 102)
05/19/16	House	Roll call Yeas-102 Nays-0 (House Journal-page 102)
05/24/16		Ratified R 205
05/25/16		Signed By Governor
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