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RESOLUTION 1

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LLS NO. R14-0227.01 Chuck Brackney x2295 **COMMITTEE Joint Resolution**

Transportation Legislation Review Committee

SHORT TITLE: "Oversize Overweight Vehicle Working Group"

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

101 CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A WORK GROUP TO STUDY THE PERMIT
102 SYSTEM FOR OVERSIZE AND OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES.

1 WHEREAS, Colorado's economy is dependent on the movement
2 of goods and services over the state's roadway infrastructure, including
3 the federal and state highway system, county roads, and city streets, and
4 the movement of these goods and services is essential to business and is
5 a major factor in our state's economic development and growth; and

6 WHEREAS, Colorado has a greater percentage of its freight
7 moved on its roads and highways than any other state; and

8 WHEREAS, Trucks transport almost 90% of total manufactured
9 tonnage in the state, and over 79% of communities in Colorado rely
10 exclusively on trucks to move their goods; and

11 WHEREAS, The movement of certain products, goods, or
12 equipment may require a special permit due to the fact that such loads
13 may exceed legal dimensions for size, weight, or length; and

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WHEREAS, Colorado law under section 42-4-510, Colorado Revised Statutes, also allows counties and cities to adopt ordinances for the issuance of an oversize and overweight permit for their respective roadways; and

WHEREAS, The number of city and county jurisdictions requiring oversize and overweight permits has greatly increased over the past several years; and

WHEREAS, The sheer number of permits, the overall cost associated with acquiring and complying with the many different community permit requirements, and a lack of any central clearinghouse with information regarding which communities have such permit requirements and what those requirements may be has created a challenge for companies that transport such loads; and

WHEREAS, The current process adversely affects the efficiency and effectiveness of those companies that must transport these goods, resulting in greater costs for the businesses and their customers; and

WHEREAS, State and local governments and transporters of oversize and overweight loads would all benefit from a simpler, more efficient and streamlined overall process covering all roadways that must be traveled by a transporter; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the _____ of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the _____ concurring herein:

(1) That there shall be a working group, led by the department of transportation, to address the issues and opportunities for improvements to the oversize and overweight permit system in Colorado under the supervision of the department of transportation and county and city agencies.

(2) The working group consists of one representative from each of the following, appointed by the head of the department or organization:

(a) The department of transportation;

(b) The Colorado Municipal League;

(c) Colorado Counties, Incorporated;

(d) The Colorado Motor Carriers Association;

(e) The Colorado State Patrol;

(f) The Colorado Farm Bureau; and

(g) The Colorado Contractors Association.

(3) The working group shall hold its first meeting no later than thirty days after the date the General Assembly adopts this joint resolution.

(4) The working group shall include in its review the following:

(a) The permit system for oversize and overweight commercial vehicles, including the permit fee structure;

(b) The utilization of web-based application processes;

(c) A single point of application;

(d) Operational issues; and

(e) Opportunities for improvement of the permit system.

(5) The working group shall make written recommendations to the Transportation Legislation Review Committee no later than July 30, 2014, regarding any changes to the permit system for oversize and overweight commercial vehicles.