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### INTERIM COMMITTEE BILL

## **Transportation Legislation Review Committee**

**SHORT TITLE:** "Overweight Vehicle Permits"

**DEADLINES:** File by: 1/15/2014

### A BILL FOR AN ACT

101	CONCERNING THE RED	<b>UCTION OF</b>	THE MAXIMUM W	EIGHT	FOR FIVE AXLE
102	OVERWEIGHT	VEHICLE	COMBINATIONS	FOR	OVERWEIGHT
103	VEHICLE PERM	ITS.			

### **Bill Summary**

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries.)

**Transportation Legislation Review Committee.** Currently, overweight permits may be issued to vehicles operating in combination with a trailer or semitrailer with two or three axles and weighing no more

than 97,000 pounds. The bill reduces the weight limit to 92,000 pounds for vehicles with a combined total of five axles.

1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-510, amend (1) 3 (b) as follows: 4 Permits for excess size and weight and for 42-4-510. 5 manufactured homes - rules. (1) (b) (I) The application for any permit 6 shall MUST specifically describe the vehicle and load to be operated or 7 moved; and the particular highways for which the permit to operate is 8 requested; and whether such permit THE APPLICATION is for a single trip, 9 a special, or an annual operation, PERMIT; and the time of such THE 10 movement. All state permits shall be ARE issued in the discretion of the 11 department of transportation, subject to rules adopted by the transportation 12 commission in accordance with this section and section 42-4-511. All 13 local permits shall be ARE issued in the discretion of the local authority 14 pursuant to ordinances or resolutions adopted in accordance with section 15 42-4-511. THIS SECTION SUPERCEDES any ordinances or resolutions of 16 local authorities shall not THAT conflict with this section. 17 An overweight permit issued pursuant to this section shall be 18 IS available for overweight divisible loads if: 19 (A) The vehicle has a quad axle grouping and the maximum gross 20 weight of the vehicle does not exceed one hundred ten thousand pounds; or 21 The vehicle is operated in combination with a trailer or (B) 22 semitrailer the trailer has two or three axles, CONSISTING OF A COMBINED 23 TOTAL OF FIVE AXLES AND THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE 24 DOES NOT EXCEED NINETY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS; OR 25 (C) THE VEHICLE IS OPERATED IN COMBINATION WITH A TRAILER

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1	OR SEMITRAILER CONSISTING OF A COMBINED TOTAL OF SIX AXLES and the					
2	maximum gross weight of the vehicle does not exceed ninety-seven					
3	thousand pounds; and					
4	(C) (D) The owner and operator of the motor vehicle are in					
5	compliance with the federal "Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act of					
6	1999", Pub.L. 106-159, as amended, as applicable to commercial vehicles;					
7	and					
8	(D) (E) The vehicle complies with rules promulgated by the					
9	department of transportation concerning the distribution of the load upon					
10	the vehicle's axles.					
11	(III) A permit issued pursuant to this paragraph (b) shall DOES not					
12	authorize the operation or movement of a motor vehicle on the interstate					
13	highway in violation of federal law.					
14	SECTION 2. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds,					
15	determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate					
16	preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.					

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