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AN ACT to amend and reenact section eleven, article seventeen, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to providing for special overweight permits for vehicles hauling containerized freight bound to or from a seaport or inland waterway port.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section eleven, article seventeen, chapter seventeen-c of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 17. SIZE, WEIGHT AND LOAD.

#### §17C-17-11. Permits for excess size and weight.

- 1 (a) The commissioner of highways may, in his or her
- 2 discretion, upon application in writing and good cause being
- 3 shown therefor issue a special permit in writing authorizing: (1)
- 4 The applicant, in crossing any highway of this state, to operate
- 5 or move a vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size or weight

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6 or load exceeding the maximum specified in this chapter or 7 otherwise not in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, 8 whether the operation be continuous or not, provided the 9 applicant shall agree to compensate the commissioner of 10 highways for all damages or expenses incurred in connection 11 with the crossing; (2) the applicant to operate or move a vehicle 12 or combination of vehicles of a size or weight of vehicles or 13 load exceeding the maximum specified in this chapter or 14 otherwise not in conformity with the provisions of this chapter, 15 except that a permit shall not be issued for continuous operation 16 of a vehicle not in conformity with the provisions of this article 17 relating to weight limitations; and (3) the applicant to move or 18 operate, for limited or continuous operation, a vehicle hauling 19 containerized cargo in a sealed, seagoing container to or from 20 a seaport or inland waterway port that has or will be transported 21 by marine shipment where the vehicle is not, as a result of 22 hauling the container, in conformity with the provisions of this 23 article relating to weight limitations, upon the conditions that: 24 (A) The container be hauled only on the roadways and high-25 ways designated by the commissioner of highways; (B) the 26 contents of the container are not changed from the time it is 27 loaded by the consignor or the consignor's agent to the time it 28 is delivered to the consignee or the consignee's agent; and (C) 29 such additional conditions as the commissioner may impose to 30 otherwise ensure compliance with the provisions of this 31 chapter.

- (b) The application for any permit shall specifically describe the vehicle or vehicles and load to be operated or moved along or across the highway and the particular highway or crossing of the highway for which permit to operate is requested, and whether the permit is requested for a single trip or for a continuous operation.
- 38 (c) The commissioner of highways is authorized to issue or 39 withhold a permit at his or her discretion; or, if the permit is 40 issued, to limit the number of trips, or to establish seasonal or 41 other time limitations within which the vehicles described may 42 be operated on or across the highways indicated, or otherwise 43 to limit or prescribe conditions of operation of the vehicle or

- vehicles, when necessary to assure against undue damage to the road foundations, surface, or structures, and may require the undertaking, bond or other security as may be considered necessary to compensate for any injury to any roadway structure and to specify the type, number and the location for escort vehicles for any vehicle.
- The commissioner may charge a fee not to exceed five dollars for the issuance of a permit for a mobile home and a reasonable fee for the issuance of a permit for any other vehicle under the provisions of this section to pay the administrative costs thereof.
- (d) Every permit shall be carried in the vehicle or combination of vehicles to which it refers and shall be open to inspection by any police officer or authorized agent of the commissioner of highways granting the permit, and no person shall violate any of the terms or conditions of the special permit.

## Enr. Com. Sub. for H. B. 2743] 4

That Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled. Chairman Senate Committee airman House Committee Originating in the House. Takes effect ninety days from passage. Clerk of the Senate Clerk of the House of Delegates re**Adent** of the Senate Speaker of the House of Delegates The within \_ this the \_\_ day of 1999.

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