## State of Washington

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By House Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Representatives Robertson, R. Fisher and K. Schmidt; by request of Department of Transportation)

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AN ACT Relating to vehicle loads; and reenacting and amending RCW 46.44.041 and 46.44.0941.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

Sec. 1. RCW 46.44 .041 and 1993 c 246 s 1 and 1993 c 102 s 3 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

No vehicle or combination of vehicles shall operate upon the public highways of this state with a gross load on any single axle in excess of twenty thousand pounds, or upon any group of axles in excess of that set forth in the following table, except that two consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of thirty-four thousand pounds each, if the overall distance between the first and last axles of such consecutive sets of tandem axles is thirty-six feet or more.

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the ex- or more consecutive axles
tremes

1 of any
2 group
3 of 2
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| 1 | 31 | 59,000 | 62,500 | 67,500 | 72,500 | 78,000 | 83,500 |  |
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| 2 | 32 | 60,000 | 63,500 | 68,000 | 73,000 | 78,500 | 84,500 | 90,000 |
| 3 | 33 |  | 64,000 | 68,500 | 74,000 | 79,000 | 85,000 | 90,500 |
| 4 | 34 |  | 64,500 | 69,000 | 74,500 | 80,000 | 85,500 | 91,000 |
| 5 | 35 |  | 65,500 | 70,000 | 75,000 | 80,500 | 86,000 | 91,500 |
| 6 | 36 |  | 66,000 | 70,500 | 75,500 | 81,000 | 86,500 | 92,000 |
| 7 | 37 |  | 66,500 | 71,000 | 76,000 | 81,500 | 87,000 | 93,000 |
| 8 | 38 |  | 67,500 | 71,500 | 77,000 | 82,000 | 87,500 | 93,500 |
| 9 | 39 |  | 68,000 | $72,500(177,000$ |  |  | 88,500 | 94,000 |
| 10 |  | $77,500$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | 40 |  | 68,500 | 73,000 | 78,000 | 83,500 | 89,000 | 94,500 |
| 12 | 41 |  | 69,500 | 73,500 | 78,500 | 84,000 | 89,500 | 95,000 |
| 13 | 42 |  | 70,000 | 74,000 | 79,000 | 84,500 | 90,000 | 95,500 |
| 14 | 43 |  | 70,500 | 75,000 | 80,000 | 85,000 | 90,500 | 96,000 |
| 15 | 44 |  | 71,500 | 75,500 | 80,500 | 85,500 | 91,000 | 96,500 |
| 16 | 45 |  | 72,000 | 76,000 | 81,000 | 86,000 | 91,500 | 97,500 |
| 17 | 46 |  | 72,500 | 76,500 | 81,500 | 87,000 | 92,500 | 98,000 |
| 18 | 47 |  | 73,500 | 77,500 | 82,000 | 87,500 | 93,000 | 98,500 |
| 19 | 48 |  | 74,000 | 78,000 | 83,000 | 88,000 | 93,500 | 99,000 |
| 20 | 49 |  | 74,500 | 78,500 | 83,500 | 88,500 | 94,000 | 99,500 |
| 21 | 50 |  | 75,500 | 79,000 | 84,000 | 89,000 | 94,500 | 100,000 |
| 22 | 51 |  | 76,000 | 80,000 | 84,500 | 89,500 | 95,000 | 100,500 |
| 23 | 52 |  | 76,500 | 80,500 | 85,000 | 90,500 | 95,500 | 101,000 |
| 24 | 53 |  | 77,500 | 81,000 | 86,000 | 91,000 | 96,500 | 102,000 |
| 25 | 54 |  | 78,000 | 81,500 | 86,500 | 91,500 | 97,000 | 102,500 |
| 26 | 55 |  | 78,500 | 82,500 | 87,000 | 92,000 | 97,500 | 103,000 |
| 27 | 56 |  | 79,500 | 83,000 | 87,500 | 92,500 | 98,000 | 103,500 |
| 28 | 57 |  | 80,000 | 83,500 | 88,000 | 93,000 | 98,500 | 104,000 |
| 29 | 58 |  |  | 84,000 | 89,000 | 94,000 | 99,000 | 104,500 |
| 30 | 59 |  |  | 85,000 ( 8 (89,000) 94,500 |  |  | 99,500 | 105,500 |
| 31 |  |  |  | 89,500 |  |  |  |  |
| 32 | 60 |  |  | 85,500 | 90,000 | 95,000 | 100,500 | 105,500 |
| 33 | 61 |  |  | 86,000 | 90,500 | 95,500 | 101,000 | 105,500 |
| 34 | 62 |  |  | 91,000 | 96,000 | 86,500 | 101,500 | 105,500 |
| 35 | 63 |  |  | 87,500 | 92,000 | 96,500 | 102,000 | 105,500 |
| 36 | 64 |  |  | 88,000 | 92,500 | 97,500 | 102,500 | 105,500 |
| 37 | 65 |  |  | 88,500 | 93,000 | 98,000 | 103,000 | 105,500 |
| 38 | 66 |  |  | $(88,500)$ | )) 93,500 | 98,500 | 103,500 | 105,500 |
| 39 |  |  |  | 89,000 |  |  |  |  |

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90,000 & 94,000 & 99,000 & 104,500 & 105,500 \\
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91,000 & 95,500 & 100,000 & 105,500 & 105,500 \\
92,000 & 96,000 & 101,000 & 105,500 & 105,500
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When inches are involved: Under six inches take lower, six inches or over take higher. The maximum load on any axle in any group of axles shall not exceed the single axle or tandem axle allowance as set forth in the table above.

The maximum axle and gross weights specified in this section are subject to the braking requirements set up for the service brakes upon any motor vehicle or combination of vehicles as provided by law.

Loads of not more than eighty thousand pounds which may be legally hauled in the state bordering this state which also has a sales tax, are legal in this state when moving to a port district within four miles of the bordering state except on the interstate system. This provision does not allow the operation of a vehicle combination consisting of a truck tractor and three trailers.

Notwithstanding anything contained herein, a vehicle or combination of vehicles in operation on January 4, 1975, may operate upon the public highways of this state, including the interstate system within the meaning of section 127 of Title 23 , United States Code, with an overall gross weight upon a group of two consecutive sets of dual axles which was lawful in this state under the laws, regulations, and procedures in effect in this state on January 4, 1975.

Sec. 2. RCW 46.44.0941 and 1994 c 172 s 2 and 1994 c 59 s 1 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

The following fees, in addition to the regular license and tonnage fees, shall be paid for all movements under special permit made upon state highways. All funds collected, except the amount retained by authorized agents of the department as provided in RCW 46.44.096, shall be forwarded to the state treasury and shall be deposited in the motor vehicle fund:

All overlegal loads, except overweight, single
trip . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 10.00$
Continuous operation of overlegal loads
having either overwidth or overheight
features only, for a period not to exceed
thirty days . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 20.00$
Continuous operations of overlegal loads having overlength features only, for a period not to exceed thirty days . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 10.00$

Continuous operation of a combination of vehicles having one trailing unit that exceeds fifty-three feet and is not more than fifty-six feet in length, for a period of one year $\$ 100.00$

Continuous operation of a combination of vehicles having two trailing units which together exceed sixty-one feet and are not more than sixty-eight feet in length, for a period of one year $\$ 100.00$
Continuous operation of a three-axle fixed load vehicle having less than 65,000 pounds gross weight, for a period not to exceed thirty days $\$ 70.00$

Continuous operation of a four-axle fixed load vehicle meeting the requirements of RCW 46.44.091(1) and weighing less than 86,000 pounds gross weight, not to exceed thirty days $\$ \quad 90.00$
Continuous movement of a mobile home or manufactured home having nonreducible features not to exceed eighty-five feet in total length and fourteen feet in width, for a period of one year . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 150.00$
Continuous operation of a two or three-axle collection truck, actually engaged in the collection of solid waste or recyclables, or both, under chapter 81.77 or 35.21 RCW or by contract under RCW 36.58.090, for one year with an additional six thousand pounds more than the weight authorized in RCW 46.16.070 on the rear axle of a two-axle truck or eight thousand pounds for the tandem axles of a three-axle truck. RCW 46.44.041 and 46.44.091 notwithstanding, the tire limits
specified in RCW 46.44.042 apply, but none of the excess weight is valid or may be permitted on any part of the federal interstate highway system
$\$ 42.00$
per thousand pounds
The department may issue any of the above-listed permits that involve height, length, or width for an expanded period of consecutive months, not to exceed one year.

Continuous operation of farm implements under a permit issued as authorized by RCW 46.44.140 by:
(1) Farmers in the course of farming activities,
for any three-month period . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 10.00$
(2) Farmers in the course of farming activities,
$\quad$ for a period not to exceed one year . . . . . . . . . $\$ 25.00$
(3) Persons engaged in the business of the
$\quad$ sale, repair, or maintenance of such
$\quad$ farm implements, for any three-month period . . . . . $\$ 25.00$ Overweight Fee Schedule
( (Weight over total registered
gross weight.

Fee per
mile on
state
highways

54,000-59,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 1.47$
60,000-65,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 1.68
66,000 -71,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . $\$ 2.03$
72,000-79,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 2.38
80,000 pounds or more . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 2.80))
Excess weight over legal capacity,

Cost per mile.
as provided in RCW 46.44.041.


54,000-59, و99 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 1.47


 80,000 pounds or more. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ 2.80) )

Excess weight over legal capacity, as provided in RCW 46.44.041.

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& \text { 0-9,999 pounds } \\
& \$ .07 \\
& \text { 10,000-14,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ .14 \\
& \text { 15,000-19,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ . } 21 \\
& \text { 20,000-24,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ \text {. } 28 \\
& \text { 25,000-29,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ \text {. } 35 \\
& \text { 30,000-34,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ .49 \\
& \text { 35,000-39,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ \\
& \text { 40,000-44,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ . } 79 \\
& \text { 45,000-49,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . \$ . } 93 \\
& \text { 50,000-54,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 1.14 \\
& \text { 55,000-59,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 1.35 \\
& \text { 60,000-64,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 1.56 \\
& \text { 65,000-69,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 1.77 \\
& \text { 70,000-74,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 2.12 \\
& \text { 75,000-79,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 2.47 \\
& \text { 80,000-84,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 2.82 \\
& \text { 85,000-89,999 pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 3.17 \\
& \text { 90,000-94,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 3.52 \\
& \text { 95,000-99,999 pounds • . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 3.87 \\
& 100,000 \text { pounds . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . } \$ 4.25
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The fee for weights in excess of 100,000 pounds is $\$ 4.25$ plus fifty cents for each 5,000 pound increment or portion thereof exceeding 100,000 pounds.

PROVIDED: (a) The minimum fee for any overweight permit shall be $\$ 14.00$, (b) the fee for issuance of a duplicate permit shall be $\$ 14.00$, (c) when computing overweight fees prescribed in this section or in RCW 46.44.095 that result in an amount less than even dollars the fee shall be carried to the next full dollar if fifty cents or over and shall be reduced to the next full dollar if forty-nine cents or under.

The fees levied in this section and RCW 46.44.095 do not apply to 2 vehicles owned and operated by the state of Washington, a county within 3 the state, a city or town or metropolitan municipal corporation within 4 the state, or the federal government.

