

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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HOUSE BILL 299

Short Title: Designating Truck Routes.

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Sponsors: Representative Church.

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Referred to: Transportation.

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March 25, 1991

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO SIMPLIFY THE DESIGNATION OF TRUCK ROUTES.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-116(h) reads as rewritten:

"(h) Whenever there exist two highways of the ~~primary~~ State highway system of approximately the same distance between two or more points, the Department of Transportation ~~shall have authority~~ may, when in the opinion of the Department of Transportation, based upon engineering and traffic investigation, safety will be promoted or the public interest will be ~~served thereby~~, to served, designate one of ~~said~~ the highways the 'truck route' between ~~said those~~ those points, and to prohibit the use of the other highway by heavy trucks or other vehicles of a gross vehicle weight or axle load limit in excess of a designated maximum. In such instances the highways ~~so~~ selected for heavy vehicle traffic shall be ~~so~~ designated as 'truck routes' by signs conspicuously ~~posted thereon~~, posted, and the highways upon which heavy vehicle traffic is prohibited shall likewise be ~~so~~ designated by signs conspicuously posted ~~thereon~~ showing the maximum gross vehicle weight or axle load limits authorized for ~~said those~~ those highways. The operation of any vehicle whose gross vehicle weight or axle load exceeds the maximum limits shown on ~~such~~ signs over the posted highway ~~thus posted~~ shall constitute a misdemeanor: Provided, that nothing ~~herein in this subsection~~ shall prohibit a truck or other motor vehicle whose gross vehicle weight or axle load exceeds that prescribed for ~~such those~~ those highways from using ~~such highway them~~ when the its destination ~~of such vehicle~~ is located solely upon ~~said that~~ that highway, road or street: Provided, further, that nothing ~~herein in this subsection~~ shall prohibit passenger vehicles or other light vehicles from using any highways ~~so~~ designated for heavy truck traffic."

1           Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.