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SENATE BILL 541

Short Title: Reciprocity - Overweight Permits.

(Public)

Sponsors: Senator Block.

Referred to: Transportation.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO TREAT OUT-OF-STATE TRUCK OPERATORS IN THE SAME MANNER AS THE OTHER STATES TREAT NORTH CAROLINA TRUCK OPERATORS WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUANCE OF OVERWEIGHT PERMITS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. G.S. 20-119 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

"(d) When an applicant from another state applies for a special permit under this section, the Department of Transportation shall consider the treatment of North Carolina based applicants in the home state of the applicant in determining whether or not to issue the permit. To this end, the Department of Transportation shall seek to maintain equity and reciprocity in the treatment of out-of-state applicants in North Carolina with the treatment of North Carolina applicants in other states.

Specifically, if another state refuses to issue or honor an overweight permit on an overweight truck traveling to or from the North Carolina State ports, while issuing permits to trucks traveling to or from their own ports, the Division shall regard this as a discriminatory practice and shall refuse to honor overweight permits from that state regardless of where those trucks are registered and impose a fine of twice the amount set forth in G.S. 20-118(a)(1) on all overweight trucks traveling from that state."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.