

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2013

H

2

HOUSE BILL 623
Committee Substitute Favorable 5/13/13

Short Title: Modify Weight Limits for Line Trucks.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

April 10, 2013

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS FOR A SINGLE-AXLE TRUCK
3 OWNED, OPERATED BY, OR UNDER CONTRACT TO A PUBLIC UTILITY OR
4 ELECTRIC OR TELEPHONE MEMBERSHIP CORPORATION AND USED IN
5 CONNECTION WITH THE INSTALLATION, RESTORATION, OR MAINTENANCE
6 OF UTILITY SERVICES IN CERTAIN AREAS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-118(c) is amended by adding a new subdivision to read:

9 "(17) Subsections (b) and (e) of this section do not apply to a truck owned,
10 operated by, or under contract to a public utility, electric or telephone
11 membership corporation, or municipality that meets all of the conditions
12 listed below, but all other enforcement provisions of this Article remain
13 applicable:

- 14 a. Is being used in connection with the installation, restoration, or
15 maintenance of utility services within a North Carolina county
16 located in whole or in part west of Interstate 77, and the terrain, road
17 widths, and other naturally occurring conditions prevent the safe
18 navigation and operation of a truck having more than a single axle or
19 using a trailer.
20 b. Does not operate on an interstate highway.
21 c. Does not exceed a single-axle weight of more than 28,000 pounds.
22 d. Does not exceed a maximum gross weight in excess of 48,000
23 pounds."

24 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective January 1, 2014.

