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HOUSE BILL NO. 1030

Introduced by: The Committee on Transportation at the request of the Department of Public Safety

1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to implement certain vehicle size and weight provisions
2 required by federal law.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 32-22-62 be amended to read:

5 32-22-62. Any tow truck or wrecker, as defined by § 32-17-10, when moving any damaged,
6 disabled, or abandoned vehicle from any highway emergency to the first point of unloading shall
7 ~~be~~ is exempt from the weight, width, height, and length restrictions ~~of imposed by~~ this chapter.
8 ~~However, the weight of such combination of vehicles may not exceed by more than ten percent~~
9 ~~the maximum weight allowed by §§ 32-22-16 and 32-22-16.1.~~ The combination of vehicles may
10 not exceed the posted weight limits of any bridge. This section applies only to a tow truck or
11 wrecker located within a two hundred mile radius of the operator's principal place of business.
12 ~~Any tow truck or wrecker found to be in excess of the ten percent weight allowance~~
13 ~~provided pursuant to this section shall be issued an overweight permit, without enforcement~~
14 ~~action, based on the established criteria for issuance of overweight permits.~~

15 Section 2. That chapter 32-22 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:



1 For purposes of this section, the term, emergency vehicle, means a vehicle designed to be
2 used under emergency conditions to transport personnel and equipment and to support the
3 suppression of fires and mitigation of other hazardous situations. An emergency vehicle is
4 exempt from the weight restrictions imposed by this chapter.

5 Section 3. That chapter 32-22 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

6 Notwithstanding the length restrictions in § 32-22-8.1, a stinger-steered automobile transport
7 may not extend more than four feet beyond the front bumper, bed, or body of the vehicle or six
8 feet beyond the rear bumper, bed, or body of the vehicle.

9 Section 4. That chapter 32-22 be amended by adding a NEW SECTION to read:

10 Notwithstanding the length restrictions in § 32-22-12.1, a combination of vehicles consisting
11 of a towing motor vehicle and two trailers or semitrailers transporting light duty and medium
12 duty trailers constituting inventory property of a manufacturer, distributor, or dealer of such
13 trailers for commercial delivery may not exceed eighty-two feet in length. The gross weight of
14 the combination of vehicles may not exceed twenty-six thousand pounds. Neither the power unit
15 nor the trailers or semitrailers may transport any additional property for delivery when used for
16 this purpose.