

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding in Article 18 of Chapter 10 of Title 46.2 a section*  
3 *numbered 46.2-1149.5, relating to overweight permits for certain vehicles.*

4 [H 1645]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**

7 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding in Article 18 of Chapter 10 of Title 46.2 a**  
8 **section numbered 46.2-1149.5 as follows:**

9 *§ 46.2-1149.5. Overweight permits for underground pipe cleaning, hydroexcavating, and water*  
10 *blasting equipment.*

11 *The Commissioner and local authorities of cities and towns, in their respective jurisdictions, upon*  
12 *written application made by the owner or operator, shall issue an overweight permit for the operation*  
13 *of underground pipe cleaning, hydroexcavating, and water blasting equipment. Any vehicle operating*  
14 *under a permit issued pursuant to this section shall have a gross weight of no more than 64,000*  
15 *pounds, a single axle weight of no more than 20,000 pounds, and a tandem axle weight of no more than*  
16 *44,000 pounds. Such permit shall not designate the route to be traversed nor contain restrictions or*  
17 *conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the highways.*

18 *For purposes of this section, "underground pipe cleaning equipment" means a self-propelled motor*  
19 *vehicle manufactured for the specific purpose of vacuuming and cleaning underground sanitary and*  
20 *storm pipe. "Hydroexcavating equipment" means a self-propelled motor vehicle manufactured for the*  
21 *specific purpose of digging with water and vacuuming of debris. "Water blasting equipment" means a*  
22 *self-propelled motor vehicle manufactured for the specific purpose of waterblasting flat concrete*  
23 *surfaces and vacuuming spent water for reuse.*

24 **2. That the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Commonwealth Transportation**  
25 **Board, shall recommend legislation regarding the operation of vehicles pursuant to the provisions**  
26 **of this act. Such proposed legislation shall be presented to the Governor and Chairmen of the**  
27 **House and Senate Committees on Transportation no later than December 1, 2007.**

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