

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-1130.1, relating to issuance*  
3 *of overweight permits granted to cross bridges and culverts by certain emergency response vehicles*  
4 *responding to an emergency call.*

5 [H 1679]

6 Approved

7 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**8 **1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-1130.1 as follows:**9 *§ 46.2-1130.1. Overweight permits granted to cross bridges and culverts by certain emergency*  
10 *response vehicles responding to an emergency call.*11 *Notwithstanding the provisions of §§ 46.2-1104 and 46.2-1130, emergency response vehicles,*  
12 *including fire and emergency medical apparatus responding to and returning from an emergency call,*  
13 *may be permitted to exceed the gross weight limit posted on a bridge or culvert, except those*  
14 *maintained by a railroad, provided that a determination has been made by a licensed professional*  
15 *engineer, qualified in the appropriate discipline, that the emergency response vehicle can safely cross*  
16 *that bridge or culvert and that determination has been documented by the issuance of a written permit*  
17 *or letter of authorization by the agency or entity responsible for the maintenance of that bridge or*  
18 *culvert.*19 *The permitting agency or entity shall not be held liable for any damage or injury caused as a result*  
20 *of an emergency response vehicle crossing a bridge or culvert while responding to or returning from an*  
21 *emergency call under the conditions specified in the overweight permit pursuant to this section.*

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