13103154D SENATE BILL NO. 1003 1 **2 3** Offered January 9, 2013 Prefiled January 8, 2013 A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 46.2-1043.1, relating to operation 5 of vehicle with tire weights in excess of certain tire load rating standards. 6 Patron—Marsden 7 8 Referred to Committee on Transportation 9 10 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia: 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 46.2-1043.1 as follows: 11 § 46.2-1043.1. Tire loading. 12 13 No person shall operate a motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer with tires on any highway in the 14 Commonwealth if any such tire carries a weight greater than that marked on the sidewall of the tire or, 15 in the absence of such a marking, a weight greater than that specified for such tire in the publications 16 of the Tire and Rim Association or other recognized source of tire load rating standards. 17 The provisions of this section shall not apply to: 1. Any vehicle that is being operated under the terms of a permit issued under Article 18 18 19 (§ 46.2-1139 et seq.) and is being operated at a reduced speed as required by the permit to compensate 20 for the tire loading in excess of the manufacturer's rated capacity for the tire; 21 2. Any vehicle that is subject to federal motor carrier safety regulations; 22 3. Any manufactured home; or

4. Any vehicle not required to be registered.

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