

## 1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 46.2-1148 of the Code of Virginia, relating to overweight permits for*  
3 *hauling Virginia-grown farm produce; validity throughout the Commonwealth.*

4 [H 1519]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 46.2-1148 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**8 **§ 46.2-1148. Overweight permit for hauling Virginia-grown farm produce.**

9 In addition to other permits provided for in this article, the Commissioner, upon written application  
10 by the owner or operator of any vehicle hauling farm produce grown in Virginia *from the point of*  
11 *origin to the first place of delivery*, shall issue permits for overweight operation of such vehicles as  
12 provided in this section. Such permits shall allow the vehicles to have a single axle weight of no more  
13 than 24,000 pounds, a tandem axle weight of no more than 40,000 pounds, and a tri-axle grouping  
14 weight of no more than 50,000 pounds. Additionally, any five-axle combination may have a gross  
15 weight of no more than 90,000 pounds, any four-axle combination, may have a gross weight of not  
16 more than 70,000 pounds, any three-axle combination may have a gross weight of no more than 60,000  
17 pounds, and any two-axle combination may have a gross weight of no more than 40,000 pounds.

18 Except as otherwise provided in this section, no such permit shall designate the route to be traversed  
19 nor contain restrictions or conditions not applicable to other vehicles in their general use of the  
20 highways.

21 No permit issued under this section shall authorize any vehicle whose axle weights or axle spacing  
22 would not be permissible under §§ 46.2-1122 through 46.2-1127 to cross any bridge constituting a part  
23 of any public road. *Nothing contained in this section shall authorize any extension of weight limits*  
24 *provided in § 46.2-1127 for operation on interstate highways.*

25 The fee for a permit issued under this section shall be \$45, to be allocated as follows: (i) \$40 to the  
26 Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund established pursuant to § 33.2-1530, with a portion equal to  
27 the percentage of the Commonwealth's total lane miles represented by the lane miles eligible for  
28 maintenance payments pursuant to §§ 33.2-319 and 33.2-366 being redistributed on the basis of lane  
29 miles to the applicable localities pursuant to §§ 33.2-319 and 33.2-366, to be used to assist in funding  
30 needed highway pavement and bridge maintenance and rehabilitation and (ii) a \$5 administrative fee to  
31 the Department. ~~Such permits shall be valid only in Accomack and Northampton Counties.~~

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