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 SENATE BILL NO. 1343 Offered January 16, 2001

A BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-1142.1 of the Code of Virginia, relating to extension of overweight limits for vehicles that haul concrete on interstate highways.

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-1142.1 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-1142.1. Extensions of overweight limits authorized under § 46.2-1142 for vehicles used to haul concrete; fees.

Owners or operators of vehicles used exclusively to haul concrete may apply for permits to extend the single axle weight limit of 20,000 pounds, the tandem axle weight limit of 40,000, the four axle weight of 70,000 pounds, the tri-axle grouping weight of 50,000 pounds, and the three-axle weight of 60,000 pounds provided for in § 46.2-1142, by the percentages and upon payment of the fees set forth in this section:

Percentage	Fee	for	Permit
1% \$35			
2 75			
3 115			
4 160			
5 200			

Permits issued under this section shall be valid for one year from the date of issuance. No permit issued under this section shall authorize any extension of the limitation provided for in § 46.2-1127 for interstate highways, nor authorize violations violation of any weight limitation for, promulgated and posted in accordance with § 46.2-1130, applicable to bridges or culverts promulgated and posted in accordance with § 46.2-1130. Permits issued under this section shall authorize extensions of the limitation provided for in § 46.2-1128 for vehicles operating on interstate highways only to the extent that any such extension (i) is not inconsistent with federal law and (ii) will not jeopardize or require the withholding or reduction of federal transportation funding otherwise available to the Commonwealth or any of its political subdivisions.

The Commissioner shall make the permit available to vehicles registered outside the Commonwealth under the same conditions and restrictions which are applicable to vehicles registered within the Commonwealth. The Commissioner may promulgate regulations governing such permits. Except as provided in this section and § 46.2-1142, no weights in excess of those authorized by law shall be tolerated.