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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to weight limitations

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Subdivision 5 and paragraphs (a) and (f) of subdivision 15
2 of section 385 of the vehicle and traffic law, paragraph (a) of subdivi-
3 sion 15 as amended by section 1 and paragraph (f) of subdivision 15 as
4 amended by section 4 of part C of chapter 59 of the laws of 2004, are
5 amended and three new subdivisions 15-b, 15-c and 15-d are added to read
6 as follows:

7 5. In determining the number of wheels and axles on any vehicle or
8 combination of vehicles within the meaning of this section, only two
9 wheels shall be counted for each axle, and axles which are less than
10 forty-six inches apart, from center to center, shall be counted as one
11 axle, MULTIPLE LIFT AXLES MAY BE SPACED FORTY INCHES APART, FROM CENTER
12 TO CENTER. However, in the case of multiple tires or multiple wheels,
13 the sum of the widths of all the tires on a wheel or combination of
14 wheels shall be taken in determining tire width.

15 (a) The commissioner of transportation is hereby authorized to contin-
16 ue to grant permits, and to charge fees therefor, for the operation or
17 movement of a vehicle or combination of vehicles having weights or
18 dimensions which exceed the limitations provided for in this section
19 upon any highway under his or her jurisdiction except that such permit
20 shall not be valid for the operation or movement of such vehicles on any
21 state or other highway within any city not wholly included within one
22 county, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (VII) OF PARAGRAPH (F) OF
23 THIS SUBDIVISION. ANY PERSON THAT OPERATES OR MOVES, OR CAUSES OR KNOW-
24 INGLY PERMITS THE OPERATION OR MOVEMENT ON ANY HIGHWAY OR BRIDGE, IN ANY
25 COUNTY NOT WHOLLY INCLUDED WITHIN A CITY, ANY VEHICLE OR COMBINATION OF

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

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1 VEHICLES OF A SIZE OR WEIGHT EXCEEDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED FOR IN
2 THIS SECTION IS REQUIRED TO HAVE AND COMPLY WITH THE TERMS OF SUCH A
3 PERMIT ISSUED BY THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANSPORTATION AND TO COMPLY WITH
4 THE REGULATIONS APPLICABLE THERETO. Such permits shall be issued in
5 accordance with the terms and conditions contained in rules and regu-
6 lations governing special hauling permits which have been or shall be
7 promulgated by the commissioner of transportation and which may include,
8 but not be limited to, a requirement that a vehicle or combination of
9 vehicles being issued a permit shall be accompanied by one or more
10 escort vehicles which is being operated by an individual having a valid
11 escort certificate issued by the commissioner. The commissioner of
12 transportation is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations govern-
13 ing the operation, use and equipment of escort vehicles and the duties
14 and responsibilities of the operator of an escort vehicle. Any finding
15 by the commissioner of transportation that an individual has violated
16 such rules and regulations shall be grounds for the cancellation of an
17 individual's escort certificate and a penalty not to exceed five hundred
18 dollars per occurrence for the first violation and not to exceed one
19 thousand dollars per occurrence for each subsequent violation. Prior to
20 issuing such a finding, the commissioner of transportation shall afford
21 an individual the right to a hearing pursuant to section one hundred
22 forty-five of the transportation law. Such rules and regulations shall
23 take into consideration, but shall not be limited to, the safety of the
24 traveling public and the protection of the highways and the environment.
25 Such rules and regulations shall also contain a schedule of fees to be
26 charged for the issuance of such permits which fees shall cover, but
27 shall not be limited to, the costs to the department of transportation
28 for the administration of the permit program, and shall permit the
29 commissioner of transportation to levy a surcharge of up to twenty
30 dollars for the issuance and distribution of special hauling permits at
31 regional offices of the department of transportation. The annual vehicle
32 fee for a permit issued pursuant to subparagraphs (i), (ii), (ii-a) and
33 (iii) of paragraph (f) of this subdivision shall be three hundred sixty
34 dollars for vehicles with less than five axles, seven hundred fifty
35 dollars for vehicles with five or six axles and nine hundred dollars for
36 vehicles with seven or more axles. The annual vehicle fee for a permit
37 issued pursuant to subparagraphs (iv), (v), and (vi) of paragraph (f) of
38 this subdivision shall be four hundred eighty dollars for vehicles with
39 less than five axles and one thousand dollars for vehicles with five or
40 more axles. THE ANNUAL VEHICLE FEE FOR A PERMIT ISSUED PURSUANT TO
41 SUBPARAGRAPH (VII) OF PARAGRAPH (F) OF THIS SUBDIVISION SHALL BE SEVEN
42 HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS FOR VEHICLES LESS THAN FIVE AXLES, ONE THOUSAND
43 FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR VEHICLES WITH FIVE OR SIX AXLES AND ONE THOU-
44 SAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR VEHICLES WITH SEVEN OR MORE AXLES. Addi-
45 tionally, the commissioner shall establish a fee schedule for the
46 permitting of extra non-power combination units that may not exceed
47 twenty-five dollars per vehicle and may offer discounts for multi-trailer
48 registrations. Such fees shall not be charged to municipalities in
49 this state. If the permit has routing requirements, such rules and regu-
50 lations shall provide that if the routing anticipates the use of high-
51 ways not under the jurisdiction of the commissioner of transportation,
52 then he or she shall immediately notify the municipality or municipi-
53 palities, having jurisdiction over such highway that an application for
54 a permit has been received and request comment thereon. Said municipi-
55 pality or municipalities shall not have less than fifteen days to

1 comment. Such rules and regulations shall also contain any other
2 requirements deemed necessary by the commissioner of transportation.

3 (f) The department of transportation, or other issuing authority, may
4 issue an annual permit for a vehicle designed and constructed to carry
5 loads that are not of one piece or item, which is registered in this
6 state. Motor carriers having apportioned vehicles registered under the
7 international registration plan must either have a currently valid
8 permit at the time this provision becomes effective or shall have desig-
9 nated New York as its base state or one of the eligible jurisdictions of
10 operation under the international registration plan in order to be
11 eligible to receive a permit issued pursuant to subparagraph (i), (ii)
12 or (ii-a) of this paragraph. No permit issued pursuant to this paragraph
13 shall be valid for the operation or movement of vehicles on any state or
14 other highway within any city not wholly included within one county
15 unless such permit was issued by the city department of transportation
16 of such city, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (VII) OF THIS
17 PARAGRAPH.

18 Effective January first, two thousand five, no vehicle or combination
19 of vehicles issued a permit pursuant to this paragraph shall cross a
20 bridge designated as an R-posted bridge by the commissioner of transpor-
21 tation or any other permit issuing authority absent a determination by
22 such commissioner or permit issuing authority that the permit applicant
23 has demonstrated special circumstances warranting the crossing of such
24 bridge or bridges and a determination by such commissioner or permit
25 issuing authority that such bridge or bridges may be crossed safely,
26 provided, however, that in no event shall a vehicle or combination of
27 vehicles issued a permit under this paragraph be permitted to cross a
28 bridge designated as an R-posted bridge if such vehicle or combination
29 of vehicles has a maximum gross weight exceeding one hundred two thou-
30 sand pounds, and provided further, however, that nothing contained here-
31 in shall be deemed to authorize any vehicle or combination of vehicles
32 to cross any such bridge within any city not wholly included within one
33 county unless such vehicle or combination of vehicles has been issued a
34 valid permit by the city department of transportation of such city
35 pursuant to this subdivision, EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (VII)
36 OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

37 No vehicle having a model year of two thousand six or newer shall be
38 issued a permit pursuant to this paragraph unless each axle of such
39 vehicle or combination of vehicles, other than steerable or trackable
40 axles, is equipped with two tires on each side of the axle, any air
41 pressure controls for lift axles are located outside the cab of the
42 vehicle and are beyond the reach of occupants of the cab while the vehi-
43 cle is in motion, [the weight on any grouping of two or more axles is
44 distributed such that no axle in the grouping carries less than eighty
45 percent of any other axle in the grouping] and any [liftable] PUSHER
46 LIFT axle is steerable or trackable; and, further provided, after Decem-
47 ber thirty-first, two thousand fourteen, no permit shall be issued
48 pursuant to this paragraph to a vehicle of any model year that does not
49 meet the requirements of this provision, except that such permits may be
50 issued prior to January first, two thousand twenty to a vehicle that
51 does not meet the requirement concerning axle grouping weight distrib-
52 ution, but meets all other requirements of this section.

53 A divisible load permit may only be transferred to a replacement vehi-
54 cle by the same registrant or transferred with the permitted vehicle as
55 part of the sale or transfer of the permit holder's business; or, if the
56 divisible load permit is issued pursuant to subparagraph (iv), (v) or

1 (vi) of this paragraph for use within the counties of Westchester, Rock-
2 land, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess and has been effec-
3 tive for the five years preceding a transfer of such permit, the permit
4 may be transferred with the permitted vehicle in the sale of the permit-
5 ted vehicle to the holder of a permit issued pursuant to subparagraph
6 (iv), (v) or (vi) of this paragraph for use within the counties of West-
7 chester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess.

8 If a permit holder operates a vehicle or combination of vehicles in
9 violation of any posted weight restriction, THE COMMISSIONER OF TRANS-
10 PORTATION MAY IMPOSE A CIVIL PENALTY AS PROVIDED BY SECTION ONE HUNDRED
11 FORTY-FIVE OF THE TRANSPORTATION LAW AND/OR CANCEL, SUSPEND OR REVOKE
12 the permit issued to such vehicle or combination of vehicles [shall be
13 deemed void as of the next day and shall not be reissued] for a period
14 of UP TO twelve calendar months.

15 [Until June thirtieth, nineteen hundred ninety-four, no more than
16 sixteen thousand power units shall be issued annual permits by the
17 department for any twelve-month period in accordance with this para-
18 graph. After June thirtieth, nineteen hundred ninety-four, no more than
19 sixteen thousand five hundred power units shall be issued annual permits
20 by the department for any twelve-month period. After December thirty-
21 first, nineteen hundred ninety-five, no more than seventeen thousand
22 power units shall be issued annual permits by the department for any
23 twelve-month period. After December thirty-first, two thousand three, no
24 more than twenty-one thousand power units shall be issued annual permits
25 by the department for any twelve-month period. After December thirty-
26 first, two thousand five, no more than twenty-two thousand power units
27 shall be issued annual permits by the department for any twelve-month
28 period. After December thirty-first, two thousand six, no more than
29 twenty-three thousand power units shall be issued annual permits by the
30 department for any twelve-month period. After December thirty-first, two
31 thousand seven, no more than twenty-four thousand power units shall be
32 issued annual permits by the department for any twelve-month period.
33 After December thirty-first, two thousand eight, no more than twenty-
34 five thousand power units shall be issued annual permits by the depart-
35 ment for any twelve-month period.] NO MORE THAN TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND
36 POWER UNITS SHALL BE ISSUED ANNUAL PERMITS BY THE DEPARTMENT.

37 Whenever permit application requests exceed permit availability, the
38 department shall renew annual permits that have been expired for less
39 than four years which meet program requirements, and then shall issue
40 permit applicants having less than three divisible load permits such
41 additional permits as the applicant may request, providing that the
42 total of existing and new permits does not exceed three. Remaining
43 permits shall be allocated by lottery in accordance with procedures
44 established by the commissioner in rules and regulations.

45 The department of transportation may issue a seasonal agricultural
46 permit in accordance with subparagraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) of this
47 paragraph that will be valid for four consecutive months with a fee
48 equal to one-half the annual permit fees established under this subdivi-
49 sion.

50 For a vehicle issued a permit in accordance with subparagraphs (iii),
51 (iv), (v) and (vi) of this paragraph, such a vehicle must have been
52 registered in this state prior to January first, nineteen hundred eight-
53 y-six or be a vehicle or combination of vehicles which replace such type
54 of vehicle which was registered in this state prior to such date
55 provided that the manufacturer's recommended maximum gross weight of the
56 replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed the

1 weight for which a permit may be issued and the maximum load to be
2 carried on the replacement vehicle or combination of vehicles does not
3 exceed the maximum load which could have been carried on the vehicle
4 being replaced or the registered weight of such vehicle, whichever is
5 lower, in accordance with the following subparagraphs:

6 (i) A permit may be issued for a vehicle having at least three axles
7 and a wheelbase not less than sixteen feet and for a vehicle with a
8 trailer not exceeding forty-eight feet. The maximum gross weight of such
9 a vehicle shall not exceed [forty-two thousand five hundred pounds plus
10 one thousand two hundred fifty pounds for each foot and major fraction
11 of a foot of the distance from the center of the foremost axle to the
12 center of the rearmost axle] ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF FEDERAL
13 BRIDGE FORMULA ($W=500(LN/N-1 + 12N + 36)$) WHERE W = OVERALL GROSS WEIGHT
14 ON ANY GROUP OF TWO OR MORE CONSECUTIVE AXLES TO THE NEAREST 500 POUNDS,
15 L= DISTANCE IN FEET BETWEEN THE EXTREME OF ANY GROUP OF TWO OR MORE
16 CONSECUTIVE AXLES, AND N= NUMBER OF AXLES IN THE GROUP UNDER CONSIDER-
17 ATION), or one hundred two thousand pounds, whichever is more restric-
18 tive provided, however, THAT ANY SIX AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED
19 EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, THAT ANY FIVE AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
20 EXCEED SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND POUNDS, that any four axle group weight
21 shall not exceed sixty-two thousand pounds, any tridem axle group weight
22 shall not exceed fifty-seven thousand pounds, any tandem axle weight
23 does not exceed forty-seven thousand pounds and any single axle weight
24 shall not exceed twenty-five thousand pounds.

25 Any additional special authorizations contained in a currently valid
26 annual permit shall cease upon the expiration of such current annual
27 permit.

28 (ii) A permit may be issued subject to bridge restrictions for a vehi-
29 cle or a combination of vehicles having at least six axles and a wheel
30 base of at least thirty-six and one-half feet. The maximum gross weight
31 of such vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed one hundred
32 seven thousand pounds and any SIX AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED
33 EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FIVE AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
34 EXCEED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FOUR AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL
35 NOT EXCEED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND POUNDS, AND tridem axle group weight
36 shall not exceed fifty-eight thousand pounds and any tandem axle group
37 weight shall not exceed forty-eight thousand pounds.

38 (ii-a) A permit may be issued subject to bridge restrictions for a
39 combination of vehicles having at least seven axles and a wheelbase of
40 at least forty-three feet. The maximum gross weight of such combination
41 of vehicles shall not exceed one hundred seventeen thousand pounds, any
42 four axle group weight shall not exceed sixty-three thousand pounds, any
43 tridem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty-eight thousand pounds,
44 any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed forty-eight thousand
45 pounds, and any single axle weight shall not exceed twenty-five thousand
46 pounds.

47 [Each axle of such combination of vehicles, other than steerable or
48 trackable axles, shall be equipped with two tires on each side of the
49 axle, any] ANY air pressure controls for lift axles shall be located
50 outside the cab of the combination of vehicles and shall be beyond the
51 reach of occupants of the cab while the combination of vehicles is in
52 motion[, the weight on any grouping of two or more axles shall be
53 distributed such that no axle in the grouping carries less than eighty
54 percent of any other axle in the grouping,] and any [liftable] PUSHER
55 LIFT axle of such combination of vehicles shall be steerable or tracka-
56 ble.

1 (iii) A permit may be issued for a vehicle having two axles and a
2 wheelbase not less than ten feet, with the maximum gross weight not in
3 excess of one hundred twenty-five percent [of the total weight limita-
4 tion as set forth in subdivision ten of this section] OF FEDERAL BRIDGE
5 FORMULA ($W=500(LN/N-1 + 12N + 36)$) WHERE W = OVERALL GROSS WEIGHT ON ANY
6 GROUP OF TWO OR MORE CONSECUTIVE AXLES TO THE NEAREST 500 POUNDS, L =
7 DISTANCE IN FEET BETWEEN THE EXTREME OF ANY GROUP OF TWO OR MORE CONSEC-
8 UTIVE AXLES, AND N = NUMBER OF AXLES IN THE GROUP UNDER CONSIDERATION).
9 Furthermore, until December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four,
10 any single rear axle weight shall not exceed twenty-eight thousand
11 pounds. After December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, any
12 axle weight shall not exceed twenty-seven thousand pounds.

13 (iv) Within a city not wholly included within one county and the coun-
14 ties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and
15 Dutchess, a permit may be issued for a vehicle having at least three
16 axles and a wheelbase not exceeding forty-four feet nor less than seven-
17 teen feet or for a vehicle with a trailer not exceeding forty feet.

18 Until December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, a permit
19 may only be issued for such a vehicle having a maximum gross weight not
20 exceeding eighty-two thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight
21 shall not exceed sixty-two thousand pounds.

22 After January first, nineteen hundred ninety-five, the operation of
23 such a vehicle shall be further limited and a permit may only be issued
24 for such a vehicle having a maximum gross weight not exceeding seventy-
25 nine thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed
26 fifty-nine thousand pounds, and any tridem shall not exceed sixty-four
27 thousand pounds.

28 A permit may be issued only until December thirty-first, nineteen
29 hundred ninety-four for a vehicle having at least three axles and a
30 wheelbase between fifteen and seventeen feet. The maximum gross weight
31 of such a vehicle shall not exceed seventy-three thousand two hundred
32 eighty pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty-
33 four thousand pounds.

34 No vehicle having a model year of two thousand six or newer shall be
35 issued a permit pursuant to this subparagraph for use within the coun-
36 ties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and
37 Dutchess unless it is equipped with at least four axles, and further
38 provided, after December thirty-first, two thousand fourteen, no permit
39 shall be issued pursuant to this subparagraph for use within the coun-
40 ties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and
41 Dutchess to a vehicle of any model year unless the vehicle is equipped
42 with at least four axles.

43 (v) Within a city not wholly included within one county and the coun-
44 ties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange or Dutch-
45 ess, a permit may be issued only until December thirty-first, nineteen
46 hundred ninety-nine for a vehicle or combination of vehicles that has
47 been permitted within the past four years having five axles and a wheel-
48 base of at least thirty-six and one-half feet. The maximum gross weight
49 of such a vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed one
50 hundred five thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight shall not
51 exceed fifty-one thousand pounds.

52 Within a city not wholly included within one county and the counties
53 of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess,
54 a permit may be issued for a vehicle or combination of vehicles having
55 at least five axles and a wheelbase of at least thirty feet. The maximum
56 gross weight of such vehicle or combination of vehicles shall not exceed

1 ninety-three thousand pounds and any SIX AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
2 EXCEED EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FIVE AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
3 EXCEED SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FOUR AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL
4 NOT EXCEED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY tridem axle group weight shall
5 not exceed fifty-seven thousand pounds and any tandem axle group weight
6 shall not exceed forty-five thousand pounds.

7 (vi) Within a city not wholly included within one county and the coun-
8 ties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and
9 Dutchess, a permit may be issued for a vehicle or combination of vehi-
10 cles having at least five axles or more and a wheelbase of at least
11 thirty-six and one-half feet, provided such permit contains routing
12 restrictions.

13 Until December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, the maximum
14 gross weight of a vehicle or combination of vehicles permitted under
15 this subparagraph shall not exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds
16 and any tandem or tridem axle group weight shall not exceed sixty-nine
17 thousand pounds, provided, however, that any replacement vehicle or
18 combination of vehicles permitted after the effective date of this
19 subparagraph shall have at least six axles, any tandem axle group shall
20 not exceed fifty thousand pounds and any tridem axle group shall not
21 exceed sixty-nine thousand pounds.

22 After December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-four, the tridem
23 axle group weight of any vehicle or combination of vehicles issued a
24 permit under this subparagraph shall not exceed sixty-seven thousand
25 pounds, any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed fifty thousand
26 pounds and any single axle weight shall not exceed twenty-five thousand
27 seven hundred fifty pounds.

28 After December thirty-first, nineteen hundred ninety-nine, all vehi-
29 cles issued a permit under this subparagraph must have at least six
30 axles.

31 After December thirty-first, two thousand fourteen, all combinations
32 of vehicles issued a permit under this subparagraph for use within the
33 counties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and
34 Dutchess must have at least seven axles and a wheelbase of at least
35 forty-three feet.

36 After December thirty-first, two thousand six, no permits shall be
37 issued under this subparagraph for use within the counties of Westches-
38 ter, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess for a vehi-
39 cle or combination of vehicles having less than seven axles or having a
40 wheelbase of less than forty-three feet, provided, however, that permits
41 may be issued for use within the counties of Westchester, Rockland,
42 Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess for vehicles or combina-
43 tions of vehicles where the permit applicant demonstrates that the
44 applicant acquired the vehicle or combination of vehicles prior to
45 December thirty-first, two thousand six, and that if the vehicle or
46 combination of vehicles was acquired by the applicant after the effec-
47 tive date of this provision, such vehicle or combination of vehicles is
48 less than fifteen years old. In instances where the application is for a
49 combination of vehicles, the applicant shall demonstrate that the power
50 unit of such combination satisfies the conditions of this subparagraph.
51 In no event shall a permit be issued under this subparagraph for use
52 within the counties of Westchester, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam,
53 Orange and Dutchess for a vehicle or combination of vehicles having less
54 than seven axles or having a wheelbase of less than forty-three feet
55 after December thirty-first, two thousand fourteen.

1 Except as otherwise provided by this subparagraph for the period
2 ending December thirty-first, two thousand fourteen, after December
3 thirty-first, two thousand three, any combination of vehicles issued a
4 permit under this subparagraph for use within the counties of Westches-
5 ter, Rockland, Nassau, Suffolk, Putnam, Orange and Dutchess shall not
6 exceed one hundred twenty thousand pounds, shall have at least seven
7 axles, shall have a wheelbase of at least forty-three feet, and single
8 axle weight shall not exceed twenty-five thousand seven hundred fifty
9 pounds, any tandem axle group weight shall not exceed forty-eight thou-
10 sand pounds, any tridem axle group weight shall not exceed sixty-three
11 thousand pounds and any four axle group shall not exceed sixty-five
12 thousand pounds.

13 From the date of enactment of this paragraph, permit applications
14 under subparagraphs (i), (ii), (ii-a), (iii), (iv), (v) [and], (vi) AND
15 (VII) of this paragraph for vehicles registered in this state may be
16 honored by the commissioner of transportation or other appropriate
17 authority. The commissioner of transportation and other appropriate
18 authorities may confer and develop a system through rules and regu-
19 lations to assure compliance herewith.

20 (VII) A PERMIT MAY BE ISSUED FOR A VEHICLE HAVING AT LEAST THREE AXLES
21 AND A WHEELBASE NOT LESS THAN SIXTEEN FEET AND FOR A VEHICLE WITH A
22 TRAILER NOT EXCEEDING FORTY-EIGHT FEET. THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF SUCH
23 A VEHICLE SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OF FEDERAL
24 BRIDGE FORMULA ($W=500(LN/N-1 + 12N + 36)$) WHERE W = OVERALL GROSS WEIGHT
25 ON ANY GROUP OF TWO OR MORE CONSECUTIVE AXLES TO THE NEAREST 500 POUNDS,
26 L = DISTANCE IN FEET BETWEEN THE EXTREME OF ANY GROUP OF TWO OR MORE
27 CONSECUTIVE AXLES, AND N = NUMBER OF AXLES IN THE GROUP UNDER CONSIDER-
28 ATION), OR ONE HUNDRED TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, WHICHEVER IS MORE RESTRIC-
29 TIVE PROVIDED, HOWEVER THAT ANY SIX AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED
30 EIGHTY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, THAT ANY FIVE AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
31 EXCEED SEVENTY-FOUR THOUSAND POUNDS, THAT ANY FOUR AXLE GROUP WEIGHT
32 SHALL NOT EXCEED SIXTY-TWO THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY TRIDEM AXLE GROUP WEIGHT
33 SHALL NOT EXCEED FIFTY-SEVEN THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY TANDEM AXLE WEIGHT
34 DOES NOT EXCEED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND POUNDS AND ANY SINGLE AXLE WEIGHT
35 SHALL NOT EXCEED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS.

36 A PERMIT MAY BE ISSUED SUBJECT TO BRIDGE RESTRICTIONS FOR A VEHICLE OR
37 A COMBINATION OF VEHICLES HAVING AT LEAST SIX AXLES AND A WHEEL BASE OF
38 AT LEAST THIRTY-SIX AND ONE-HALF FEET. THE MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF SUCH
39 VEHICLES OR COMBINATION OF VEHICLES SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE HUNDRED FIVE
40 THOUSAND POUNDS AND ANY SIX AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED
41 EIGHTY-THREE THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FIVE AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL NOT
42 EXCEED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY FOUR AXLE GROUP WEIGHT SHALL
43 NOT EXCEED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND POUNDS, ANY TRIDEM AXLE GROUP WEIGHT
44 SHALL NOT EXCEED FIFTY-EIGHT THOUSAND POUNDS AND ANY TANDEM AXLE GROUP
45 WEIGHT SHALL NOT EXCEED FORTY-EIGHT THOUSAND POUNDS.

46 SUCH PERMIT SHALL BE RECOGNIZED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,
47 NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE METROPOLITAN TRANS-
48 PORTATION AUTHORITY FOR ALL CROSSINGS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE
49 BRONX-WHITESTONE BRIDGE.

50 15-B. IN FURTHERANCE OF THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PERMITS PURSUANT TO
51 SUBDIVISION FIFTEEN OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
52 AND THE CITY OF NEW YORK ARE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE
53 AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO PERMITS TO OPERATE OR MOVE VEHICLES OR COMBINA-
54 TIONS OF VEHICLES THE WEIGHTS OR THE DIMENSIONS OF WHICH EXCEED THE
55 LIMITATIONS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION ALONG THE PORTIONS OF
56 THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM THAT FALL UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE CITY OF

1 NEW YORK THAT ARE ENUMERATED IN SECTION THREE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE-F OF
2 THE HIGHWAY LAW (NEW YORK CITY ROUTES). PERMITS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS
3 SUBDIVISION MAY BE OF A JOINT OR RECIPROCAL TYPE FOR OPERATIONS OR MOVE-
4 MENTS ON SUCH HIGHWAY SYSTEMS AND SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO LOADS PROPOSED
5 AS ONE PIECE OR ITEM OR OTHERWISE CANNOT BE SEPARATED INTO UNITS OF LESS
6 WEIGHT.

7 15-C. IN FURTHERANCE OF THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PERMITS PURSUANT TO
8 SUBDIVISION FIFTEEN OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
9 AND THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY ARE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER
10 INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO PERMITS TO OPERATE OR MOVE
11 VEHICLES OR COMBINATIONS OF VEHICLES THE WEIGHTS OR THE DIMENSIONS OF
12 WHICH EXCEED THE LIMITATIONS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION
13 ALONG THE PORTIONS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM THAT FALL UNDER THE
14 JURISDICTION OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY OR ITS SUBSID-
15 IARIES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE BRIDGES THAT THEY CONTROL.
16 PERMITS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION MAY BE OF A JOINT OR RECIP-
17 ROCAL TYPE FOR OPERATIONS OR MOVEMENTS ON SUCH HIGHWAY SYSTEMS AND SHALL
18 NOT BE LIMITED TO LOADS PROPOSED AS ONE PIECE OR ITEM OR OTHERWISE
19 CANNOT BE SEPARATED INTO UNITS OF LESS WEIGHT.

20 15-D. IN FURTHERANCE OF THE AUTHORITY TO ISSUE PERMITS PURSUANT TO
21 SUBDIVISION FIFTEEN OF THIS SECTION, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
22 AND THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY ARE AUTHORIZED TO
23 ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT RELATIVE TO PERMITS TO OPERATE OR
24 MOVE VEHICLES OR COMBINATIONS OF VEHICLES THE WEIGHTS OR THE DIMENSIONS
25 OF WHICH EXCEED THE LIMITATIONS OTHERWISE PROVIDED FOR IN THIS SECTION
26 ALONG THE PORTIONS OF THE STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM THAT FALL UNDER THE
27 JURISDICTION OF THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY OR ITS
28 SUBSIDIARIES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE BRIDGES THAT THEY
29 CONTROL. PERMITS ISSUED PURSUANT TO THIS SUBDIVISION MAY BE OF A JOINT
30 OR RECIPROCAL TYPE FOR OPERATIONS OR MOVEMENTS ON SUCH HIGHWAY SYSTEMS
31 AND SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO LOADS PROPOSED AS ONE PIECE OR ITEM OR
32 OTHERWISE CANNOT BE SEPARATED INTO UNITS OF LESS WEIGHT.

33 S 2. This act shall take effect on the one hundred eightieth day after
34 it shall have become a law.