



HF 769 – Farm Truck Maximum Gross Weight Increase (LSB1566HZ.1)
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Description

[House File 769](#) increases the maximum gross weight registration for a special truck from 32 tons to 39 tons. The registration fee for a special truck will be an additional \$25 per ton between 32 and 38 tons. Between 38 tons and 39 tons, the fee will increase by \$10 for the additional ton.

Background

Iowa Code section [321.1\(75\)](#) defines a special truck as a motor truck or truck tractor not used for hire with a gross weight registration of 6 to 32 tons. Furthermore, the motor truck or truck tractor is to be used by a person engaged in certain farming purposes and to transport commodities.

In calendar year 2018, there were 17,176 trucks registered as special trucks in the Department of Transportation ARTS database. The current maximum fee, at 32 tons, is \$675, which goes to the Road Use Tax Fund (RUTF). There are 1,082 vehicles registered at the maximum weight.

Assumptions

All trucks currently at the maximum weight that are able to increase their weight would increase their maximum weight to 39 tons, resulting in an extra fee of \$160 per year.

Fiscal Impact

Under [House File 769](#), if 625 special trucks opted for the maximum tonnage and corresponding fees, the additional revenue would be \$100,000 annually to the RUTF. If 1,000 trucks opted for the maximum tonnage, the RUTF would receive an additional \$160,000.

Sources

Iowa Department of Transportation
LSA calculations

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The fiscal note for this Bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.
