

Transportation: Miller, Chair; Bennett and Koenigs.

*Do Pass 2/28 (p. 613)*  
FEB 19 1984

HOUSE FILE 2272

*Sen TRANSPORTATION 2/9*

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*Amend per 5455's  
Do Pass 3/20 (p. 940)*

BY DE GROOT, BENNETT  
and HARBOR

Transportation  
Drake, Chair  
Priebe  
Hall

Passed House, Date 3-7-84 (p. 193) Passed Senate, Date 3-26-84 (p. 1090)

Vote: Ayes 97 Nays 3 Vote: Ayes 50 Nays 0

Approved May 8, 1984

*Repassed House 4-4-84 (p. 1260)*  
96-2

# A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act to authorize certain motor trucks and motor homes to
- 2 tow a four-wheeled trailer with a steering axle and more
- 3 than one trailer or semitrailer or both, subject to
- 4 penalties provided by law.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

HOUSE FILE 2272

S-5455

1 Amend House File 2272 as passed by the House as

2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 6, by inserting after the word

4 "home," the following: "multipurpose vehicle,".

S-5455 FILED  
MARCH 20, 1984

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION  
C. JOSEPH COLEMAN, CHAIR

*Adopted 3/26 (p. 1041)*

## SENATE AMENDMENT TO HOUSE FILE 2272

H-5969

1 Amend House File 2272 as passed by the House as

2 follows:

3 1. Page 1, line 6, by inserting after the word

4 "home," the following: "multipurpose vehicle,".

H-5969 FILED MARCH 29, 1984

RECEIVED FROM THE SENATE

*House concurred 4/4 (p. 1659)*

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HF 2272

1 Section 1. Section 321.310, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code  
2 1983, is amended to read as follows:

3 ~~No~~ A motor vehicle shall not tow any a four-wheeled trailer  
4 with a steering axle, or more than one trailer or semitrailer,  
5 or both in combination, ~~with the exception that.~~ However,  
5456 this section ~~shall~~ does not apply to any a motor home, motor  
7 truck, truck tractor or road tractor ~~registered at a combined~~  
8 ~~gross weight of ten tons or more~~ nor to a farm tractor towing  
9 a four-wheeled trailer, ~~or~~ nor to any a farm tractor or motor  
10 vehicle towing implements of husbandry, ~~or~~ nor to a wagon  
11 box trailer used by a farmer in transporting produce, farm  
12 products or supplies hauled to and from market.

13 EXPLANATION

14 Under current law, a pickup truck may not tow a trailer  
15 and a boat trailer unless it is registered at a combined gross  
16 weight of ten tons or more. The law also prohibits a  
17 multipurpose vehicle or a motor home from towing two vehicles  
18 because it is not possible to register these vehicles for  
19 ten tons. The bill amends the law to allow a motor truck  
20 and a motor home to tow a trailer with a steering axle or  
21 a combination of two trailers. The bill takes effect July  
22 1 following enactment.

23 HOUSE FILE 2272  
24 FISCAL NOTE

25 REQUESTED BY SENATOR DRAKE

25 In compliance with a written request there is hereby submitted a  
26 Fiscal Note for House File 2272 pursuant to Joint Rule 17.

26 House File 2272 amends current law to allow a motor truck and a  
27 motor home to tow a trailer with a steering axle or a combination  
28 of two trailers. Under current law, a pickup truck may not tow a  
29 trailer and a boat trailer unless it is registered at a com-  
30 bination gross weight of ten tons or more. The law also prohibits  
a multipurpose vehicle or a motor home from towing two vehicles  
because it is not possible to register these vehicles for ten  
tons.

31 Fiscal Effect: The fiscal effect cannot be calculated at this  
32 time. Currently, it is believed that the number of trucks  
overregistered to the 10T status is minimal and there is no way of  
knowing the exact number.

(3455H, 84-294F, TAF)

33 Source: Department of Transportation

34 FILED:  
35 MARCH 26, 1984

BY DENNIS C. PROUTY, DIRECTOR  
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL BUREAU

in transporting produce, farm products or supplies hauled  
to and from market.

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DONALD D. AVENSON  
Speaker of the House

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ROBERT T. ANDERSON  
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and  
is known as House File 2272, Seventieth General Assembly.

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JOSEPH O'HERN  
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved Frays, 1984

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TERRY E. BRANSTAD  
Governor

HOUSE FILE 2272

AN ACT

TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN MOTOR TRUCKS AND MOTOR HOMES TO TOW A  
FOUR-WHEELED TRAILER WITH A STEERING AXLE AND MORE THAN  
ONE TRAILER OR SEMITRAILER OR BOTH, SUBJECT TO PENALTIES  
PROVIDED BY LAW.

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this section ~~shall~~ does not apply to any a motor home,  
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tractor ~~registered at a combined gross weight of ten tons~~  
~~or more~~ nor to a farm tractor towing a four-wheeled trailer,  
~~or~~ nor to any a farm tractor or motor vehicle towing implements  
of husbandry, ~~or~~ nor to a wagon box trailer used by a farmer