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HOUSE FILE 2469
BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 651)

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the maximum gross weight limit for vehicles
2 hauling crops during the annual period of harvest.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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HF 2469

1 Section 1. Section 321.463, Code 2003, is amended by
2 adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. Notwithstanding subsection 5,
4 paragraph "b", during the period beginning September 1 and
5 ending November 30, the maximum gross weight allowed to be
6 carried on a vehicle hauling crops, including corn, soybeans,
7 hay, straw, and stover, on noninterstate highways from the
8 point of harvest to a storage or distribution point is ninety
9 thousand pounds. However, weight embargoes on bridges shall
10 continue to apply.

11 **EXPLANATION**

12 This bill creates an exception to maximum gross weight
13 limits for vehicles hauling crops on noninterstate highways
14 from the point of harvest to a distribution or storage point
15 during the period of harvest from September 1 through November
16 30 annually. Current law establishes graduated weight limits
17 for vehicles or combinations of vehicles based on the number
18 of axles, with a maximum allowable gross weight of 80,000
19 pounds. The bill allows a maximum gross weight of 90,000
20 pounds, regardless of the number of axles, during the harvest
21 period.

22 Weight limitations on bridges are not affected by the bill.

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HSB 651
TRANSPORTATION

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON ARNOLD)

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1 Section 1. Section 321.463, Code 2003, is amended by
2 adding the following new subsection:
3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. Notwithstanding subsection 5,
4 paragraph "b", during the period beginning September 1 and
5 ending November 14, the maximum gross weight allowed to be
6 carried on a vehicle hauling crops, including but not limited
7 to corn, soybeans, hay, straw, and stover, on noninterstate
8 highways from the point of harvest to a storage or
9 distribution point is ninety thousand pounds. However, weight
10 embargoes on bridges shall continue to apply.

11 EXPLANATION

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13 limits for vehicles hauling crops on noninterstate highways
14 from the point of harvest to a distribution or storage point
15 during the period of harvest from September 1 through November
16 14 annually. Current law establishes graduated weight limits
17 for motor vehicles based on the number of axles on a vehicle,
18 with a maximum allowable weight of 80,000 pounds for the
19 largest vehicles. The bill allows a maximum vehicle weight of
20 90,000 pounds during the harvest period.

21 Weight limitations on bridges are not affected by the bill.

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