CHAPTER 1076
VEHICLES OF EXCESSIVE SIZE AND WEIGHT — ALL-SYSTEMS PERMITS — USE OF FUNDS
S.F. 2376

AN ACT relating to annual all-systems permits issued by the department of transportation for vehicles of excessive weight, and including effective date provisions.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 312.2, Code 2022, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
NEW SUBSECTION. 18. The treasurer of state, before making the allotments provided for in this section, shall credit monthly from the road use tax fund to the state department of transportation seventy-five percent of the moneys deposited in the fund pursuant to section 321E.14, subsection 1, paragraph “o”. The department shall distribute such moneys to counties having jurisdiction over secondary roads on which vehicles issued a permit pursuant to section 321E.8, subsection 1A, are authorized to operate, which moneys shall be used to inspect, maintain, repair, or construct bridges on the county’s secondary roads. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A governing the distribution of moneys in accordance with this subsection.

Sec. 2. Section 321E.2, subsections 1 and 4, Code 2022, are amended to read as follows:
1. The department and local authorities may in their discretion and upon application and with good cause shown issue permits for the movement of special mobile equipment being temporarily moved on streets, roads, or highways and for vehicles with indivisible loads or divisible loads where expressly authorized under this chapter, which exceed the maximum dimensions and weights specified in sections 321.452 through 321.466, but not to exceed the limitations imposed in this section and sections 321E.3 through 321E.15 except as provided in section 321E.29.
4. When in the judgment of the permit-issuing authority the movement of a vehicle with an indivisible or divisible load or special mobile equipment which exceeds the maximum dimensions and weights will be unduly hazardous to public safety or will cause undue damage to infrastructure or other public or private property, the permit shall be denied and the reasons for denial endorsed on the application. Permits shall designate the days when and routes upon which loads and special mobile equipment may be moved within a county on other than primary roads.

Sec. 3. Section 321E.3, subsection 1, Code 2022, is amended to read as follows:
1. a. Permits issued under this chapter shall be issued by the authority responsible for the maintenance of the system of highways or streets. However, the department may issue permits on primary road extensions in cities in conjunction with movements on the rural primary road system.
   b. The department may issue an all-systems permit permits under section 321E.8 which are valid for movements on all highways or streets under the jurisdiction of either the state, except the interstate road system if prohibited under section 321E.8, or those local authorities that have indicated to the department in writing, including by means of electronic communication, those streets or highways for which an all-systems permit is not valid.

Sec. 4. Section 321E.8, Code 2022, is amended by adding the following new subsection:
NEW SUBSECTION. 1A. Vehciles with indivisible or divisible loads having an overall width not to exceed the width authorized under section 321.454, an overall length not to exceed the length authorized under section 321.457, an overall height not to exceed the height authorized under section 321.456, and a total gross weight not to exceed the gross weight authorized under section 321.463 by more than twelve percent, may operate under an all-systems permit and shall obtain route approval from the department. Permitted vehicles under this subsection with a gross weight exceeding eighty thousand pounds shall not be allowed to travel on any portion of the interstate road system.
Sec. 5. Section 321E.14, subsection 1, paragraph i, Code 2022, is amended to read as follows:
   i. One hundred sixty dollars for an annual all-systems permit issued pursuant to section 321E.8, subsection 1, which shall be deposited in the road use tax fund.

Sec. 6. Section 321E.14, subsection 1, Code 2022, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
   NEW PARAGRAPH. 0j. Five hundred dollars for an annual all-systems permit issued pursuant to section 321E.8, subsection 1A, which shall be deposited in the road use tax fund.

Sec. 7. PERMITS — COUNTY AUTHORIZATION AND INDICATION TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. On or before July 1, 2025, every county shall authorize vehicles issued a permit under section 321E.8, subsection 1A, as enacted in this Act, to operate on certain secondary roads and indicate to the department of transportation in writing, including by means of electronic communication, those secondary roads for which a permit under section 321E.8, subsection 1A, as enacted in this Act, is not valid, as described in section 321E.3, as amended in this Act.

Sec. 8. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act takes effect January 1, 2023.

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