

HOUSE BILL No. 2095

By Committee on Transportation

1 AN ACT concerning the uniform act regulating traffic; relating to gross
2 weight limits of certain vehicles, special permits; amending K.S.A.
3 2016 Supp. 8-1908 and repealing the existing section.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 New Section 1. (a) The secretary of transportation may issue an
7 annual special vehicle operating permit pursuant to the provisions of
8 K.S.A. 8-1911, and amendments thereto, for a truck-tractor semitrailer
9 combination vehicle and a truck-tractor semitrailer, trailer combination
10 vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of more than 85,500 pounds but not
11 more than 90,000 pounds transporting divisible loads on six or more axles.

12 (b) In addition to the conditions the secretary may establish under
13 K.S.A. 8-1911, and amendments thereto, such vehicle combinations shall
14 also be subject to the following requirements:

15 (1) The special vehicle combination may not be operated on the
16 interstate system;

17 (2) the special vehicle combination must be registered at the
18 maximum weight category in accordance with K.S.A. 8-143, and
19 amendments thereto;

20 (3) the special vehicle combination must comply with the provisions
21 of K.S.A. 8-1908 and 8-1909, and amendments thereto, except as
22 otherwise provided by this section; and

23 (4) The secretary shall charge and collect a fee of \$200 for the annual
24 permit provided in this section. No single trip permits shall be issued.

25 (c) No special vehicle combination issued a permit under this section
26 shall be moved or operated on any highway when the gross weight on two
27 or more consecutive axles exceeds the limitations in the following table:

28 Distance in feet between the 29 extremes of any group of 2 or 30 more consecutive axles	Maximum load in pounds carried on any group of 2 or more consecutive axles		
	6 axles	7 axles	8 axles
31 35.....	86,000		
32 36.....	86,500		
33 37.....	87,000		
34 38.....	87,500		
35 39.....	88,500		
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1	40.....	89,000
2	41.....	89,500
3	42.....	90,000
4	43	
5	44	
6	45.....	86,000
7	46.....	87,000
8	47.....	87,500
9	48.....	88,000
10	49.....	88,500
11	50.....	89,000
12	51.....	89,500
13	52.....	90,000
14	53.....	86,000
15	54.....	86,500
16	55.....	87,000
17	56.....	87,500
18	57.....	88,000
19	58.....	89,000
20	59.....	89,500
21	60.....	90,000

22 (d) All permit fees received under this section shall be remitted to the
 23 state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and
 24 amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state
 25 treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit
 26 of the state highway fund.

27 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 8-1908 is hereby amended to read as
 28 follows: 8-1908. (a) The gross weight upon any wheel of a vehicle shall
 29 not exceed 10,000 pounds.

30 (b) The gross weight upon any one axle, including any one axle of a
 31 group of axles, of a vehicle shall not exceed 20,000 pounds.

32 (c) Any axle located within seven feet of any adjacent axle shall,
 33 when the wheels of such axle are in contact with the road surface, carry its
 34 proportionate part of the load permitted on such axles. An axle shall not be
 35 used to determine the lawful axle weight under this section or the gross
 36 weight under K.S.A. 8-1909, and amendments thereto, when the wheels of
 37 such axle are not in contact with the road surface.

38 (d) As used in this section:

39 (1) "Gross weight on any one axle" means the total load on all wheels
 40 whose centers are included within two parallel transverse vertical planes
 41 not more than 40 inches apart.

42 (2) "Tandem axles" means two or more consecutive axles, arranged in
 43 tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or

1 individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced not less than
2 40 inches and not more than 96 inches apart.

3 (3) "Triple axles" means three or more consecutive axles, arranged in
4 tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or
5 individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced more than 96
6 inches and not more than ~~120~~ 132 inches apart.

7 (4) "Quad axles" means four or more consecutive axles, arranged in
8 tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or
9 individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced more than 120
10 inches and not more than 150 inches apart.

11 (e) The gross weight on tandem axles shall not exceed 34,000
12 pounds.

13 Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 8-1908 is hereby repealed.

14 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
15 publication in the statute book.