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Ohio Revised Code

Section 5577.042 Weight provisions for farm, log and coal trucks and farm machinery. Effective: July 27, 2011 Legislation: Senate Bill 187 - 129th General Assembly

(A) As used in this section:

(1) "Farm machinery" has the same meaning as in section 4501.01 of the Revised Code.

(2) "Farm commodities" includes livestock, bulk milk, corn, soybeans, tobacco, and wheat.

(3) "Farm truck" means a truck used in the transportation from a farm of farm commodities when the truck is operated in accordance with this section.

(4) "Log truck" means a truck used in the transportation of timber from the site of its cutting when the truck is operated in accordance with this section.

(5) "Coal truck" means a truck transporting coal from the site where it is mined when the truck is operated in accordance with this section.

(6) "Solid waste" has the same meaning as in section 3734.01 of the Revised Code.

(7) "Solid waste haul vehicle" means a vehicle hauling solid waste for which a bill of lading has not been issued.

(B)(1) Notwithstanding sections 5577.02 and 5577.04 of the Revised Code, the following vehicles under the described conditions may exceed by no more than seven and one-half per cent the weight provisions of sections 5577.01 to 5577.09 of the Revised Code and no penalty prescribed in section 5577.99 of the Revised Code shall be imposed:

(a) A coal truck transporting coal, from the place of production to the first point of delivery where title to the coal is transferred;



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(b) A farm truck or farm machinery transporting farm commodities, from the place of production to the first point of delivery where the commodities are weighed and title to the commodities is transferred;

(c) A log truck transporting timber, from the site of its cutting to the first point of delivery where the timber is transferred;

(d) A solid waste haul vehicle hauling solid waste, from the place of production to the first point of delivery where the solid waste is disposed of or title to the solid waste is transferred.

(2) In addition, if any of the vehicles listed in division (B)(1) of this section and operated under the conditions described in that division does not exceed by more than seven and one-half per cent the gross vehicle weight provisions of sections 5577.01 to 5577.09 of the Revised Code and does not exceed the wheel or axle-load limits of those sections by more than seven and one-half per cent, no penalty prescribed in section 5577.99 of the Revised Code for a wheel or axle overload shall be imposed.

(C) If any of the vehicles listed in division (B)(1) of this section and operated under the conditions described in that division exceeds the weight provisions of sections 5577.01 to 5577.09 of the Revised Code by more than the percentage allowance of either division (B)(1) or (2) of this section, both of the following apply without regard to the allowance provided by division (B)(1) or (2) of this section:

(1) The applicable penalty prescribed in section 5577.99 of the Revised Code;

(2) The civil liability imposed by section 5577.12 of the Revised Code.

(D)(1) Division (B) of this section does not apply to the operation of a farm truck, log truck, or farm machinery transporting farm commodities during the months of February and March.

(2) Regardless of when the operation occurs, division (B) of this section does not apply to the operation of a vehicle on either of the following:



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(a) A highway that is part of the interstate system;

(b) A highway, road, or bridge that is subject to reduced maximum weights under section 4513.33, 5577.07, 5577.071, 5577.08, 5577.09, or 5591.42 of the Revised Code.