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HOUSE BILL No. 5452

April 17, 2014, Introduced by Reps. McCready, Jacobsen and Schor and referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

A bill to amend 1949 PA 300, entitled

"Michigan vehicle code,"

by amending section 725 (MCL 257.725), as amended by 1998 PA 247.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

Sec. 725. (1) Upon receipt of a written application and good

- 2 cause being shown, a jurisdictional authority may issue a written
- 3 special permit authorizing an applicant to operate upon or remove
- 4 from a highway maintained by that jurisdictional authority a
- 5 vehicle or combination of vehicles that are any of the following:
 - (a) Of a size, weight, or load exceeding the maximum specified in this chapter.
 - (b) Otherwise not in conformity with this chapter.
 - (2) The application for a special permit shall be on a form

- 1 prescribed by the jurisdictional authority and shall specifically
- 2 describe the vehicle or vehicles and load to be operated or moved
- 3 and the particular highways upon which the special permit to
- 4 operate is requested.
- 5 (3) A jurisdictional authority may issue a special permit and
- 6 charge a fee that does not exceed the administrative costs incurred
- 7 authorizing the operation of the following upon a highway:
- 8 (a) Traction engines or tractors having movable tracks with
- 9 transverse corrugations upon the periphery of those movable tracks
- 10 on farm tractors.
- 11 (b) Other farm machinery otherwise prohibited under this
- 12 chapter.
- 13 (c) A vehicle of a size or weight otherwise prohibited under
- 14 this chapter that is hauling farm machinery to or from a farm.
- 15 (4) A special permit shall specify the trip or trips and date
- 16 or dates for which it is valid and the jurisdictional authority
- 17 granting the special permit may restrict or prescribe conditions of
- 18 operation of a vehicle or vehicles, if necessary, to protect the
- 19 safety of the public or to ensure against undue damage to the road
- 20 foundations, surfaces, structures, or installations, and may
- 21 require a reasonable inspection fee and other security as that
- 22 jurisdictional authority determines necessary to compensate for
- 23 damages caused by the movement. A special permit may be issued on
- 24 an annual basis. Except as otherwise provided in this section, the
- 25 fee charged by the state transportation department for an
- 26 intrastate or an out-of-state vehicle for a single trip shall be
- 27 \$50.00 \$100.00 and for multiple trips or on an annual basis shall

- 1 be \$100.00. \$200.00. Except as otherwise provided in this section,
- 2 the fee charged by a jurisdictional authority other than the state
- 3 transportation department for an intrastate or an out-of-state
- 4 vehicle for a single trip shall be not more than \$50.00 \$100.00 and
- 5 for multiple trips or on an annual basis shall be not more than
- 6 \$100.00. Effective October 1, 1998, the \$200.00. THE fee charged by
- 7 a jurisdictional authority other than the state transportation
- 8 department for a special permit under this subsection shall be the
- 9 fee charged on September 30, 1997. The fee charged by a
- 10 jurisdictional authority other than the state transportation
- 11 department for a special permit under this subsection may be
- 12 increased above the amount charged on September 30, 1997 subject to
- 13 the maximums allowed by this subsection subject to a prior public
- 14 hearing with reasonable notice. However, the fee charged by a
- 15 jurisdictional authority other than the state transportation
- 16 department for a special permit under this subsection that is more
- 17 than \$50.00 \\$100.00 for a single trip or that is more than \\$100.00
- 18 \$200.00 for multiple trips or on an annual basis, or both, on
- 19 September 30, 1997 shall not be increased.
- 20 (5) The fee charged by the state transportation department for
- 21 an intrastate or an out-of-state vehicle or combination of vehicles
- 22 that exceed the maximum size specified in this chapter but do not
- 23 exceed the maximum weight or load specified in this chapter or are
- 24 otherwise not in conformity with this chapter shall be \$15.00
- 25 \$30.00 for a single trip and \$30.00 \$60.00 for multiple trips or on
- 26 an annual basis. The fees charged under this subsection may be
- 27 increased not more than once each year based on the percentage

- 1 increase in the United States consumer price index for all urban
- 2 consumers for the immediately preceding 12-month period rounded to
- 3 the nearest whole dollar. This subsection takes effect October 1,
- **4** 1998.
- 5 (6) The fee charged by a jurisdictional authority other than
- 6 the state transportation department for an intrastate or an out-of-
- 7 state vehicle or combination of vehicles of a size exceeding the
- 8 maximum specified in this chapter but not exceeding the maximum
- 9 weight or load specified in this chapter shall not exceed the
- 10 administrative costs incurred by that jurisdictional authority in
- 11 issuing the permit. This subsection takes effect October 1, 1998.
- 12 (7) A special permit issued under this section shall be
- 13 carried in the vehicle or combination of vehicles to which it
- 14 refers and shall be open to inspection by a police officer or
- 15 authorized agent of a jurisdictional authority granting the special
- 16 permit. A person shall not violate any of the terms or conditions
- 17 of the special permit.
- 18 (8) A person who violates this section is responsible for a
- 19 civil infraction.
- 20 (9) A jurisdictional authority issuing a special permit to
- 21 move a mobile home under this section and a person who is issued a
- 22 special permit to move a mobile home under this section are subject
- 23 to section 719a.
- 24 (10) As used in this section, "jurisdictional authority" means
- 25 the state transportation department, a county road commission, or a
- 26 local authority having jurisdiction over a highway upon which a
- 27 vehicle is proposed to be moved pursuant to a permit required under

1 this section.