LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF IDAHO

Sixty-second Legislature

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IN THE SENATE

SENATE BILL NO. 1117

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

2 RELATING TO OVERWEIGHT OR OVERSIZE LOADS; AMENDING CHAPTER 10, TITLE 49,

3 IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 49-1004A, IDAHO CODE, TO

4 PROVIDE FOR SPECIAL PERMITS FOR NEW DESIGNATED SPECIAL ROUTES AND TO

5 PROVIDE FOR THE ANALYSIS OF NEW SPECIAL ROUTES.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 10, Title 49, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of a <u>NEW SECTION</u>, to be known and designated as Section 49-1004A, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

- 49-1004A. PERMITS FOR OVERWEIGHT OR OVERSIZE LOADS NEW SPECIAL ROUTES. (1) Notwithstanding the provision on the addition or deletion of approved routes in section $49-1004\,(4)$, Idaho Code, the authority having jurisdiction may designate routes within its jurisdiction for operation of vehicle combinations with a legal maximum gross weight of at least one hundred five thousand five hundred one (105,501) pounds but not exceeding one hundred twenty-nine thousand (129,000) pounds, utilizing criteria established by the board based upon road and bridge structural integrity engineering standards, as well as public safety engineering standards. The authority having jurisdiction shall issue an annual special permit authorizing travel on designated routes for such travel. Any additional routes approved by the authority having jurisdiction shall be included in the map provided for in section $49-1004\,(4)$, Idaho Code.
- (2) For all requests that new routes be designated for travel by vehicle combinations with a maximum gross weight of up to one hundred twenty-nine thousand (129,000) pounds, the department shall, to the best of its ability, analyze the safety and feasibility of adding such routes and shall report its findings to the board. The Idaho department of commerce shall also assess economic development opportunities of such routes, utilizing available grant funding.