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A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 101 CONCERNING THE DETERMINATION THAT A LOAD OF FLUID MILK
- 102 PRODUCTS HAULED BY A VEHICLE IS NOT A DIVISIBLE LOAD
- 103 UNDER THE VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS PERMITTED BY LAW.

Bill Summary

(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <u>http://leg.colorado.gov/</u>.)

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. Current law has weight limits for vehicles. One of the factors that determines a vehicle's weight limit is whether a load is divisible, which means that the load can be divided up to lower its weight. The bill deems that a load of fluid milk products carried by a vehicle is not a divisible load.





1 Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado: 2 **SECTION 1. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly 3 hereby finds and declares that: 4 (a) In 2015, the United States Congress passed the "Fixing" 5 America's Surface Transportation Act", Pub.L. 114-94, also known as the 6 "FAST Act"; 7 (b) The FAST Act includes a provision in 23 U.S.C. sec. 127 8 (a)(13) that reads "A vehicle carrying fluid milk products shall be 9 considered a load that cannot be easily dismantled or divided 10 [nondivisible]."; 11 (c) Congress designated fluid milk as a nondivisible load because 12 milk drivers must pick up the entire stock of milk that a dairy farm 13 produces every day and deliver it to the dairy; 14 (d) The Colorado department of transportation promulgated a rule 15 to conform with the provision in the FAST Act, but the rule was 16 inconsistent with and narrower than the provision; and 17 (e) With respect to the provision in the FAST Act, this act merely 18 harmonizes Colorado law with the FAST Act. 19 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-510, add (1)(d) 20 as follows: 21 42-4-510. Permits for excess size and weight and for 22 **manufactured homes - rules - definition.** (1) (d) FOR THE PURPOSES OF 23 THIS SECTION, SECTION 42-4-511, AND ANY RULE PROMULGATED UNDER 24 THIS SECTION OR SECTION 42-4-511, A LOAD OF FLUID MILK PRODUCTS 25 CARRIED BY A VEHICLE IS DEEMED TO NOT BE A DIVISIBLE LOAD.

26 **SECTION 3. Safety clause.** The general assembly hereby finds,

- 1 determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate
- 2 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety.