

HOUSE BILL 1479

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By: **Delegates Reilly and Hornberger**

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Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Motor Vehicles – Dump Trucks – Gross Vehicle Weight Limits**

3 FOR the purpose of allowing dump trucks registered in the State to exceed the motor
4 vehicle's maximum gross vehicle weight by a certain amount; and generally relating
5 to gross vehicle weight limits.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
7 Article – Transportation
8 Section 13–919(c)(2)(ii)
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
12 Article – Transportation
13 Section 13–919(h)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2016 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Transportation**

19 13–919.

20 (c) (2) Except as provided in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the maximum
21 gross weight limitation for a vehicle registered under this section after June 1, 1994 is:

22 (ii) For a vehicle with four axles that is in compliance with
23 regulations adopted by the Department that specify alternative vehicle design

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 configurations based on recommendations of the Dump Truck Technical Task Force
2 — 70,000 pounds.

3 (h) (1) Subject to the provisions of paragraph (2) of this subsection, if a vehicle
4 registered under this section is hauling loose materials in bulk for a distance of not more
5 than 40 miles:

6 (i) Subject to the provisions of subsection (i) of this section, the
7 vehicle is limited as to maximum gross weight only by the allowable and paid registration
8 weight; and

9 (ii) 1. Except in Allegany and Garrett counties, the vehicle is not
10 subject to any restrictions of the Maryland Vehicle Law on the weight, gross weight, or axle
11 loads of a vehicle other than the restrictions on gross vehicle weight imposed under this
12 section; and

13 2. In Allegany and Garrett counties, the vehicle is not subject
14 to any other restrictions of the Maryland Vehicle Law on the weight, gross weight, or axle
15 loads of a vehicle unless the vehicle exceeds its maximum registered gross weight by 10
16 percent or one of its axles is not carrying at least 15 percent of the vehicle's total gross
17 weight.

18 (2) A vehicle registered under this section may [be]:

19 (I) **BE** operated on a statewide basis without any distance
20 limitations if the vehicle is:

21 [(i)] 1. A three-axle vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle weight
22 of 55,000 pounds; or

23 [(ii)] 2. A four-axle vehicle with a maximum gross vehicle weight
24 of 70,000 pounds that is in compliance with the regulations described under subsection
25 (c)(2)(ii) of this section; **AND**

26 (II) **EXCEED THE VEHICLE'S MAXIMUM REGISTERED GROSS**
27 **WEIGHT BY 3,000 POUNDS IF THE VEHICLE IS:**

28 1. **A THREE-AXLE VEHICLE WITH A MAXIMUM GROSS**
29 **VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 55,000 POUNDS; OR**

30 2. **A FOUR-AXLE VEHICLE WITH A MAXIMUM GROSS**
31 **VEHICLE WEIGHT OF 70,000 POUNDS THAT IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE**
32 **REGULATIONS DESCRIBED UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2)(II) OF THIS SECTION.**

33 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June
34 1, 2017.