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S. 1692

To amend title 49, United States Code, to clarify the use of a towaway trailer transportation combination, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. MORAN (for himself, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. DONNELLY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. COMMERCIAL DELIVERY OF LIGHT- AND ME-**
4 **DIUM-DUTY TRAILERS.**

5 (a) DEFINITIONS.—Section 31111(a) of title 49,
6 United States Code, is amended—

7 (1) by redesignating paragraph (3) as para-
8 graph (6);

1 (2) by redesignating paragraph (2) as para-
2 graph (3);

3 (3) by redesignating paragraph (4) as para-
4 graph (2); and

5 (4) by inserting after paragraph (3) the fol-
6 lowing:

7 “(4) TOWAWAY TRAILER TRANSPORTER COM-
8 BINATION.—The term ‘towaway trailer transporter
9 combination’ means a combination of vehicles con-
10 sisting of a trailer transporter towing unit and 2
11 trailers or semitrailers—

12 “(A) with a total combined weight that
13 does not exceed 26,000 pounds; and

14 “(B) in which the trailers or semitrailers
15 carry no property and constitute inventory
16 property of a manufacturer, distributor, or
17 dealer of such trailers or semitrailers.

18 “(5) TRAILER TRANSPORTER TOWING UNIT.—
19 The term ‘trailer transporter towing unit’ means a
20 power unit that is not used to carry property while
21 operating in a towaway trailer transporter combina-
22 tion.”.

23 (b) GENERAL LIMITATIONS.—Section 31111(b)(1) of
24 such title is amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (E), by striking “or” at
2 the end;

3 (2) in subparagraph (F), by striking the period
4 at the end and inserting “; or”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(G) has the effect of imposing an overall
7 length limitation of less than 82 feet on a towaway
8 trailer transporter combination.”.

9 (c) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

10 (1) PROPERTY-CARRYING UNIT LIMITATION.—

11 Section 31112(a)(1) of such title is amended by in-
12 sserting “or trailers or semitrailers transported as
13 part of a towaway trailer transporter combination
14 (as defined in section 31111(a)” after “truck trac-
15 tor”.

16 (2) ACCESS TO INTERSTATE SYSTEM.—Section
17 31114(a)(2) of such title is amended—

18 (A) by striking “or”; and

19 (B) by inserting “, or any towaway trailer
20 transporter combination (as defined in section
21 31111(a)) that is not longer than 82 feet” be-
22 fore the period at the end.