

HOUSE BILL NO. 602

INTRODUCED BY ROTH

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 7, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION.
FEBRUARY 8, 1989	FIRST READING.
FEBRUARY 17, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.
FEBRUARY 18, 1989	PRINTING REPORT.
FEBRUARY 20, 1989	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
FEBRUARY 21, 1989	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 80; NOES, 16.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 28, 1989	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON HIGHWAYS & TRANSPORTATION.
	FIRST READING.
MARCH 21, 1989	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 22, 1989	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.
MARCH 27, 1989	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 43; NOES, 6.
	RETURNED TO HOUSE.

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RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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11 "61-10-124. (Temporary) Special permits -- fee --
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13 self-propelled single-unit vehicle consisting of not more
14 than four axles and used for raising, shifting, and lowering
15 heavy weights by means of a projecting swinging arm.

16 (2) Except as provided in subsections (3)(b), (3)(d),
17 and (6), in addition to the regular registration and gross
18 vehicle weight fees, a fee of \$10 for each trip permit and a
19 fee of \$75 for each term permit issued for size and weight
20 in excess of that specified in 61-10-101 through 61-10-110
21 ~~shall~~ must be paid for all movements under special permits
22 on the public highways under the jurisdiction of the
23 department of highways.

24 (3) (a) Except as provided in subsections (3)(b),
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2 other thing in excess of 15 feet; an overlength vehicle,
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10 two units designed for or used to carry a load are not
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13 permits under subsection (6) must specify highway routing
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16 required equipment, speed, stability, operational
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18 (b) A term permit may be issued to a dealer in
19 implements of husbandry and self-propelled machinery for an
20 overwidth or overlength vehicle referred to in subsection
21 (3)(a). The fee for this permit is \$75. This permit covers a
22 period of 1 year and expires on December 31 of each year
23 with no grace period.

24 (c) With payment of the appropriate gross weight fee
25 required by 61-10-203 and with payment of the fee prescribed

1 in subsection (2), allowable gross weight of a five-axle
2 combination logging vehicle is 80,000 pounds.

3 (d) A term permit may be issued for any combination of
4 vehicles that exceeds 95 feet in length but does not exceed
5 100 feet in length, except a truck-trailer-trailer or a
6 truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer-trailer combination, for
7 travel only on highways that are part of the federal-aid
8 interstate system, as defined in 60-1-103, or on other
9 highways within a 2-mile radius of an interchange on the
10 interstate system in order to obtain necessary services or
11 to load or unload at a terminal. When a terminal is beyond
12 a 2-mile radius, the department may authorize travel between
13 the terminal and the interchange. The fee for this permit
14 is \$125.

15 (4) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b), a permit
16 may not be issued for a period of time greater than the
17 period for which the GVW license is valid as provided in
18 this title, including grace periods allowed by this title.
19 Owners of vehicles licensed in other jurisdictions may, at
20 the discretion of the department of highways, purchase
21 permits to expire with their registration. A license
22 required by the state governs the issuance of a special
23 permit.

24 (5) The owner or operator of a crane with a gross
25 vehicle weight of less than 80,000 pounds may purchase a

1 30-day special permit for overweight if the crane has a
2 current special mobile equipment identification plate and if
3 the department of highways has approved the configuration of
4 the crane through a weight analysis completed within the
5 same calendar year. The permit is not transferable, and the
6 fee for the permit is \$200.

7 (6) The department may issue special permits to the
8 operating company for a truck-trailer-trailer or truck
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12 that are part of the federal-aid interstate system as
13 defined in 60-1-103 and within a 2-mile radius of an
14 interchange on the interstate system on other highways only
15 in order to obtain necessary services or to load or unload
16 at a terminal. When a terminal is beyond a 2-mile radius,
17 the department may authorize travel between the terminal and
18 the interchange.

19 (b) a combination of vehicles powered by a cab-over
20 (tilt cab) type truck-tractor or a truck may not exceed
21 overall length of 105 feet, inclusive of front and rear
22 bumpers and overhang;

23 (c) a combination of vehicles powered by a conventional
24 truck-tractor may not exceed overall length of 110 feet,
25 inclusive of front and rear bumpers and overhang;

(d) no individual cargo unit of the combination may exceed 28 1/2 feet in length and 102 inches in width;

(e) gross weight fees under 61-10-203 must be paid on the truck or truck tractor for the declared registered gross weight of the special vehicle combination, but not to exceed the formula in 61-10-107;

(f) the combination must have a restricted route permit under 61-10-107(3) and a special overlength permit issued at a fee of \$200 for a term permit or \$20 for each trip permit;

(g) travel of the combination may be restricted to specific routes, hours of operation, specific days, or seasonal periods; and

(h) the department may enforce any other restrictions determined by the department to be necessary.

61-10-124. (Effective July 1, 1989) Special permits -- fee -- cranes. (1) As used in this section, "crane" means a self-propelled single-unit vehicle consisting of not more than four axles and used for raising, shifting, and lowering heavy weights by means of a projecting swinging arm.

(2) Except as provided in subsection subsections (3)(b) and (3)(d), in addition to the regular registration and gross vehicle weight fees, a fee of \$10 for each trip permit and a fee of \$75 for each term permit issued for size and weight in excess of that specified in 61-10-101 through 61-10-110 shall must be paid for all movements under special

permits on the public highways under the jurisdiction of the department of highways.

(3) (a) Except as provided in subsection subsections (3)(b) and (3)(d), term or blanket permits may not be issued for an overwidth vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of 15 feet; an overlength vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, object, or other thing in excess of 95 feet; and an overheight vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of 14 feet, or of a limit determined by the department. A vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of these dimensions is limited to trip permits. Special permits for vehicle combinations of more than two trailers are not permitted under this section. Special permits for vehicle combinations may specify highway routing and otherwise limit or prescribe conditions of operation of the vehicle or combination, including but not limited to required equipment, speed, stability, operational procedures, and insurance.

(b) A term permit may be issued to a dealer in implements of husbandry and self-propelled machinery for an overwidth or overlength vehicle referred to in subsection (3)(a). The fee for this permit is \$75. This permit covers a period of 1 year and expires on December 31 of each year with no grace period.

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10 interstate system, as defined in 60-1-103, or on other
11 highways within a 2-mile radius of an interchange on the
12 interstate system in order to obtain necessary services or
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9 NEW SECTION. Section 2. Extension of authority. Any
10 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the
11 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of
12 [this act].

13 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Effective date. [This act] is
14 effective on passage and approval.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB602, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

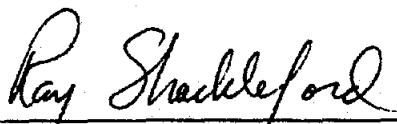
An Act increasing to 100 feet the maximum length of a vehicle or combination of vehicles allowable under special permit; amending Section 61-10-124, MCA; and providing an immediate effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. One company will be affected by this bill.
2. The company will make five trips per week with one vehicle.

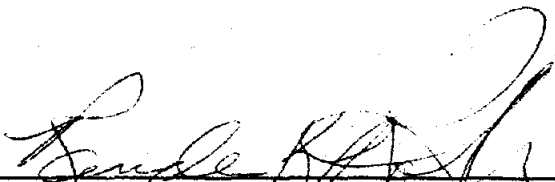
FISCAL IMPACT:

	Current	FY90		Current	FY91	
Revenue:	Law	Proposed		Law	Proposed	
		Law	Difference		Law	Difference
Highway Special-Permits	\$2,600	\$125	(\$2,475)	\$2,600	\$125	(\$2,475)


RAY SHACKLEFORD, BUDGET DIRECTOR
OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

DATE

2/15/89


RANDE K. ROTH, PRIMARY SPONSOR

DATE

2/16/89

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

SECTION 1. SECTION 61-8-312, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ:

"61-8-312. Special speed limitations on trucks, truck
tractors, motor-driven cycles, and vehicles towing
housetrailer. (1) No person shall operate any truck or
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speed greater than 55 miles per hour.

(3) No person shall operate any motor-driven cycle at
any time mentioned in 61-9-201 at a speed greater than 35
miles per hour unless such motor-driven cycle is equipped
with a headlamp or lamps which are adequate to reveal a
person or vehicle at a distance of 300 feet ahead.

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a housetrailer at a speed greater than a maximum of 50 miles
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 9 operating company for a truck-trailer-trailer or truck
 10 tractor-semitrailer-trailer-trailer combination of vehicles
 11 under the following conditions:

12 (a) the combination may be operated only on highways
 13 that are part of the federal-aid interstate system as
 14 defined in 60-1-103 and within a 2-mile radius of an
 15 interchange on the interstate system on other highways only
 16 in order to obtain necessary services or to load or unload
 17 at a terminal. When a terminal is beyond a 2-mile radius,
 18 the department may authorize travel between the terminal and
 19 the interchange.

20 (b) a combination of vehicles powered by a cab-over
 21 (tilt cab) type truck-tractor or a truck may not exceed
 22 overall length of 105 feet, inclusive of front and rear
 23 bumpers and overhang;

24 (c) a combination of vehicles powered by a
 25 conventional truck-tractor may not exceed overall length of

1 110 feet, inclusive of front and rear bumpers and overhang;

2 (d) no individual cargo unit of the combination may
 3 exceed 28 1/2 feet in length and 102 inches in width;

4 (e) gross weight fees under 61-10-203 must be paid on
 5 the truck or truck tractor for the declared registered gross
 6 weight of the special vehicle combination, but not to exceed
 7 the formula in 61-10-107;

8 (f) the combination must have a restricted route
 9 permit under 61-10-107(3) and a special overlength permit
 10 issued at a fee of \$200 for a term permit or \$20 for each
 11 trip permit;

12 (g) travel of the combination may be restricted to
 13 specific routes, hours of operation, specific days, or
 14 seasonal periods; and

15 (h) the department may enforce any other restrictions
 16 determined by the department to be necessary.

17 61-10-124. (Effective July 1, 1989) Special permits --
 18 fee -- cranes. (1) As used in this section, "crane" means a
 19 self-propelled single-unit vehicle consisting of not more
 20 than four axles and used for raising, shifting, and lowering
 21 heavy weights by means of a projecting swinging arm.

22 (2) Except as provided in subsection subsections
 23 (3)(b) and (3)(d), in addition to the regular registration
 24 and gross vehicle weight fees, a fee of \$10 for each trip
 25 permit and a fee of \$75 for each term permit issued for size

1 and weight in excess of that specified in 61-10-101 through
2 61-10-110 ~~shall~~ must be paid for all movements under special
3 permits on the public highways under the jurisdiction of the
4 department of highways.

5 (3) (a) Except as provided in subsection subsections
6 (3)(b) and (3)(d), term or blanket permits may not be issued
7 for an overwidth vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, or
8 other thing in excess of 15 feet; an overlength vehicle,
9 combination of vehicles, load, object, or other thing in
10 excess of 95 feet; and an overheight vehicle, combination of
11 vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of 14 feet, or of a
12 limit determined by the department. A vehicle, combination
13 of vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of these
14 dimensions is limited to trip permits. Special permits for
15 vehicle combinations of more than two trailers are not
16 permitted under this section. Special permits for vehicle
17 combinations may specify highway routing and otherwise limit
18 or prescribe conditions of operation of the vehicle or
19 combination, including but not limited to required
20 equipment, speed, stability, operational procedures, and
21 insurance.

22 (b) A term permit may be issued to a dealer in
23 implements of husbandry and self-propelled machinery for an
24 overwidth or overlength vehicle referred to in subsection
25 (3)(a). The fee for this permit is \$75. This permit covers a

1 period of 1 year and expires on December 31 of each year
2 with no grace period.

3 (c) With payment of the appropriate gross weight fee
4 required by 61-10-203 and with payment of the fee prescribed
5 in subsection (2), allowable gross weight of a five-axle
6 combination logging vehicle is 80,000 pounds.

7 (d) A term permit may be issued for any combination of
8 vehicles that exceeds 95 feet in length but does not exceed
9 100 feet in length, except a truck-trailer-trailer or a
10 truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer-trailer combination, for
11 travel only on highways that are part of the federal-aid
12 interstate system, as defined in 60-1-103, or on other
13 highways within a 2-mile radius of an interchange on the
14 interstate system in order to obtain necessary services or
15 to load or unload at a terminal. When a terminal is beyond a
16 2-mile radius, the department may authorize travel between
17 the terminal and the interchange. The fee for this permit
18 is \$125.

19 (4) Except as provided in subsection (3)(b), a permit
20 may not be issued for a period of time greater than the
21 period for which the GVW license is valid as provided in
22 this title, including grace periods allowed by this title.
23 Owners of vehicles licensed in other jurisdictions may, at
24 the discretion of the department of highways, purchase
25 permits to expire with their registration. A license

1 required by the state governs the issuance of a special
2 permit.

3 (5) The owner or operator of a crane with a gross
4 vehicle weight of less than 80,000 pounds may purchase a
5 30-day special permit for overweight if the crane has a
6 current special mobile equipment identification plate and if
7 the department of highways has approved the configuration of
8 the crane through a weight analysis completed within the
9 same calendar year. The permit is not transferable, and the
10 fee for the permit is \$200."

11 NEW SECTION. **Section 3.** Extension of authority. Any
12 existing authority to make rules on the subject of the
13 provisions of [this act] is extended to the provisions of
14 [this act].

15 NEW SECTION. **Section 4.** Effective date. [This act] is
16 effective on passage and approval.

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1 HOUSE BILL NO. 602

2 INTRODUCED BY ROTH

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING TO 100 FEET
5 THE MAXIMUM LENGTH OF A VEHICLE OR COMBINATION OF VEHICLES
6 ALLOWABLE UNDER SPECIAL PERMIT AND SUBJECTING THOSE VEHICLES
7 TO A SPEED LIMIT OF 55 MILES PER HOUR; AMENDING SECTION
8 SECTIONS 61-8-312 AND 61-10-124, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN
9 IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."

10
11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:12 SECTION 1. SECTION 61-8-312, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ:

13 "61-8-312. Special speed limitations on trucks, truck
14 tractors, motor-driven cycles, and vehicles towing
15 housetrailers. (1) No person shall operate any truck or
16 truck tractor the gross weight of which exceeds 8,000 pounds
17 at a speed greater than 65 miles per hour on those completed
18 sections of interstate and four-lane divided highways and 60
19 miles per hour on those completed sections of primary and
20 secondary highways. However, the truck nighttime speed limit
21 shall not exceed that of automobiles as stated in 61-8-303.

22 (2) No person shall operate any a vehicle subject to a
23 term permit under 61-10-124(3)(d) or a truck-trailer-trailer
24 or truck tractor-semitrailer-trailer-trailer combination of
25 vehicles subject to special permits under 61-10-124(4) at a

1 speed greater than 55 miles per hour.

2 (3) No person shall operate any motor-driven cycle at
3 any time mentioned in 61-9-201 at a speed greater than 35
4 miles per hour unless such motor-driven cycle is equipped
5 with a headlamp or lamps which are adequate to reveal a
6 person or vehicle at a distance of 300 feet ahead.

7 (4) No person shall operate a vehicle which is towing
8 a house trailer at a speed greater than a maximum of 50 miles
9 per hour. (Subsection (2) terminates July 1, 1989--sec. 8,
10 Ch. 474, L. 1987.)"

11 Section 2. Section 61-10-124, MCA, is amended to read:

12 "61-10-124. (Temporary) Special permits -- fee --
13 cranes. (1) As used in this section, "crane" means a
14 self-propelled single-unit vehicle consisting of not more
15 than four axles and used for raising, shifting, and lowering
16 heavy weights by means of a projecting swinging arm.

17 (2) Except as provided in subsections (3)(b), (3)(d),
18 and (6), in addition to the regular registration and gross
19 vehicle weight fees, a fee of \$10 for each trip permit and a
20 fee of \$75 for each term permit issued for size and weight
21 in excess of that specified in 61-10-101 through 61-10-110
22 ~~shall~~ must be paid for all movements under special permits
23 on the public highways under the jurisdiction of the
24 department of highways.

25 (3) (a) Except as provided in subsections (3)(b),

1 (3)(d), and (6), term or blanket permits may not be issued
 2 for an overwidth vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, or
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 4 combination of vehicles, load, object, or other thing in
 5 excess of 95 feet; and an overheight vehicle, combination of
 6 vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of 14 feet, or of a
 7 limit determined by the department. A vehicle, combination
 8 of vehicles, load, or other thing in excess of these
 9 dimensions is limited to trip permits. Special permits for
 10 vehicle combinations of more than two trailers or more than
 11 two units designed for or used to carry a load are not
 12 permitted except as provided in subsection (6). Special
 13 permits for vehicle combinations may specify and special
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19 (b) A term permit may be issued to a dealer in
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 21 overwidth or overlength vehicle referred to in subsection
 22 (3)(a). The fee for this permit is \$75. This permit covers a
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25 (c) With payment of the appropriate gross weight fee

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