

**SENATE**  
**STATE OF MINNESOTA**  
**EIGHTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE**

**S.F. No. 947**

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DATE	D-PG	OFFICIAL STATUS
03/04/2013	468	Introduction and first reading Referred to Transportation and Public Safety
03/18/2013	1116	Comm report: To pass
	1179	Second reading
05/19/2013	4974	General Orders: Stricken and returned to author See SF1270, Sec. 42

1.1 A bill for an act  
 1.2 relating to transportation; amending motor vehicle weight limits relating to idle  
 1.3 reduction technology; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169.824,  
 1.4 subdivision 2.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 169.824, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 2. **Gross vehicle weight of all axles; credit for idle reduction technology.**

1.8 (a) The gross vehicle weight of all axles of a vehicle or combination of vehicles must  
 1.9 not exceed:

1.10 (1) 80,000 pounds for any vehicle or combination of vehicles on all streets and  
 1.11 highways, unless posted at a lower axle weight under section 169.87, subdivision 1; and

1.12 (2) 88,000 pounds for any vehicle or combination of vehicles with six or more  
 1.13 axles while exclusively engaged in hauling livestock on all state trunk highways other  
 1.14 than interstate highways, if the vehicle has a permit under section 169.86, subdivision 5,  
 1.15 paragraph (j).

1.16 (b) Notwithstanding the maximum weight provisions of this section, and in order to  
 1.17 promote the reduction of fuel use and emissions, the maximum gross vehicle weight limits  
 1.18 and the axle weight limits for any motor vehicle subject to sections 169.80 to 169.88 and  
 1.19 equipped with idle reduction technology or emissions-reduction technology must be  
 1.20 increased by the amount of weight necessary to compensate for the weight of the idle  
 1.21 reduction technology or emissions-reduction technology, not to exceed ~~400~~ 550 pounds.

1.22 At the request of an authorized representative of the Department of Transportation or the  
 1.23 Department of Public Safety, the vehicle operator shall provide proof that the vehicle is  
 1.24 equipped with this technology through documentation or demonstration.

2.1 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective the day following final enactment.