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State of Minnesota  
**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

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**H. F. No. 620**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Transportation Policy and Finance

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to transportation; establishing annual permits for overweight vehicles;  
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169.865, subdivisions 1, 2.

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

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169.865, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.6 Subdivision 1. **Six-axle vehicles.** (a) A road authority may issue an annual permit  
1.7 authorizing a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a total of six or more axles to haul  
1.8 ~~raw or unprocessed agricultural products~~ freight and be operated with a gross vehicle  
1.9 weight of up to:

1.10 (1) 90,000 pounds; and

1.11 (2) 99,000 pounds during the period set by the commissioner under section 169.826,  
1.12 subdivision 1.

1.13 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (4), a vehicle or  
1.14 combination of vehicles operated under this subdivision and, as part of an international  
1.15 movement, transporting only sealed intermodal containers may be operated on an  
1.16 interstate highway if allowed by the United States Department of Transportation.

1.17 (c) The fee for a permit issued under this subdivision is \$300, or a proportional  
1.18 amount as provided in section 169.86, subdivision 5.

1.19 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 169.865, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

1.20 Subd. 2. **Seven-axle vehicles.** (a) A road authority may issue an annual permit  
1.21 authorizing a vehicle or combination of vehicles with a total of seven or more axles to  
1.22 haul ~~raw or unprocessed agricultural products~~ freight and be operated with a gross weight  
1.23 of up to:

2.1 (1) 97,000 pounds; and

2.2 (2) 99,000 pounds during the period set by the commissioner under section 169.826,  
2.3 subdivision 1.

2.4 (b) Drivers of vehicles operating under this subdivision must comply with driver  
2.5 qualification requirements adopted under section 221.0314, subdivisions 2 to 5, and Code  
2.6 of Federal Regulations, title 49, parts 40 ~~and~~ 382, and 391, unless exempt under section  
2.7 221.031, subdivision 2c.

2.8 (c) The fee for a permit issued under this subdivision is \$500, or a proportional  
2.9 amount as provided in section 169.86, subdivision 5.