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

- 1.1 A bill for an act
- 1.2 relating to motor vehicles; exempting sewage septic tank trucks from certain vehicle
- 1.3 weight limitations; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, sections 169.829, by adding
- 1.4 a subdivision; 169.87, subdivision 6.
- 1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.829, is amended by adding a subdivision
- 1.7 to read:
- 1.8 Subd. 5. Sewage septic tank trucks. (a) Sections 169.823 and 169.826 to 169.828 do
- 1.9 not apply to a sewage septic tank truck used exclusively to transport sewage from septic or
- 1.10 holding tanks.
- 1.11 (b) The weight limitations under section 169.824 are increased by ten percent for a
- 1.12 single-unit vehicle transporting sewage from the point of service to (1) another point of
- 1.13 service, or (2) the point of unloading.
- 1.14 (c) Notwithstanding sections 169.824, subdivision 1, paragraph (d); 169.826, subdivision
- 1.15 3; or any other law to the contrary, a permit is not required to operate a vehicle under this
- 1.16 subdivision.
- 1.17 (d) The seasonal weight increases under section 169.826, subdivision 1, do not apply to
- 1.18 a vehicle operated under this subdivision.
- 1.19 (e) A vehicle operated under this subdivision is subject to bridge load limits posted under
- 1.20 section 169.84.
- 1.21 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective June 1, 2023.

2.1 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 169.87, subdivision 6, is amended to read:

2.2 Subd. 6. **Recycling and garbage vehicles.** (a) ~~Except as provided in paragraph (b)~~ While
2.3 a vehicle is engaged in the type of collection the vehicle was designed to perform, weight
2.4 restrictions imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 do not apply to:

2.5 (1) a vehicle that does not exceed 20,000 pounds per single axle and is designed and
2.6 used exclusively for recycling, while engaged in recycling operating in a political subdivision
2.7 that mandates curbside recycling pickup;

2.8 ~~(b) Weight restrictions imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 do not apply to: (1) (2) a~~
2.9 ~~vehicle that does not exceed 14,000 pounds per single axle and is used exclusively for~~
2.10 ~~recycling as described in paragraph (a);~~

2.11 ~~(2) (3) a vehicle that does not exceed 14,000 pounds per single axle and is designed and~~
2.12 ~~used exclusively for collecting mixed municipal solid waste, as defined in section 115A.03,~~
2.13 ~~subdivision 21, while engaged in such collection; or~~

2.14 ~~(3) (4) a portable toilet service vehicle that does not exceed 14,000 pounds per single~~
2.15 ~~axle or 26,000 pounds gross vehicle weight, and is designed and used exclusively for~~
2.16 ~~collecting liquid waste from portable toilets, while engaged in such collection; or~~

2.17 (5) a sewage septic tank truck that is designed and used exclusively to haul sewage from
2.18 septic or holding tanks.

2.19 ~~(e) (b) Notwithstanding section 169.80, subdivision 1, a violation of the owner or operator~~
2.20 ~~of a vehicle that violates the weight restrictions imposed under subdivisions 1 and 2 by a~~
2.21 ~~vehicle designed and used exclusively for recycling while engaged in recycling in a political~~
2.22 ~~subdivision that mandates curbside recycling pickup while engaged in such collection, by~~
2.23 ~~a vehicle that is designed and used exclusively for collecting mixed municipal solid waste~~
2.24 ~~as defined in section 115A.03, subdivision 21, while engaged in such collection, or by a~~
2.25 ~~portable toilet service vehicle that is designed and used exclusively for collecting liquid~~
2.26 ~~waste from portable toilets, while engaged in such collection, is not subject to criminal~~
2.27 ~~penalties but is subject to a civil penalty for excess weight under section 169.871 if the~~
2.28 vehicle (1) meets the requirements under paragraph (a), and (2) is engaged in the type of
2.29 collection the vehicle was designed to perform.

2.30 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective June 1, 2023.