
DIGEST

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Abstract: Increases the weight limit for vehicles required to have safety belts.

Present law requires each driver of a passenger car, van, sports utility vehicle, or truck having a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or less, commonly referred to as a pick-up truck, to have their safety belts properly fastened about his or her body at all times when the vehicle is in forward motion.

Proposed law increases the weight limit of the trucks from 10,000 pounds to 26,000 pounds. Removes colloquial reference to a truck and expands the application of the law beyond solely pick-up trucks.

Present law restricts each driver of a passenger car, van, sports utility vehicle, or truck having a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or less, commonly referred to as a pick-up truck, from transporting more persons than there are safety belts available in the vehicle.

Proposed law increases the weight limit of the trucks from 10,000 pounds to 26,000 pounds. Removes colloquial reference to a truck and expands the application of the law beyond solely pick-up trucks.

Present law requires each occupant of a passenger car, van, sports utility vehicle, or truck having a gross weight of 10,000 pounds or less, commonly referred to as a pick-up truck, to have a safety belt properly fastened about his or her body at all times when the vehicle is in forward motion.

Proposed law increases the weight limit of the trucks from 10,000 pounds to 26,000 pounds. Removes colloquial reference to a truck and expands the application of the law beyond solely pick-up trucks.

(Amends R.S. 32:295.1(A)(1), (3), and (B))