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Present law provides relative to special permits issues by the secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development (department).

Proposed law requires the secretary to issue a permit for the operation of a combination of vehicles or tandem loads hauling divisible or nondivisible container imports or exports to and from any port facility in the state, provided that the combination of vehicles or tandem loads meets all of the following:

(1) Does not exceed one hundred thirty-five thousand pounds gross weight.

(2) Does not exceed forty thousand pounds per tandem axle spread as defined by the department.

(3) Does not exceed seventy-five feet in length.

(4) Is equipped with a dual-axle dolly and a dolly safety system with tilt sensors attached to the dolly that provide feedback on tilt information to the driver of the vehicle to ensure safe operations.

Proposed law provides that the permits and route via state and federal roadways, excluding the interstate system, shall be issued at the truck permit office of the department.

Proposed law requires the secretary to adopt rules to implement proposed law.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 32:387.2)