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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Provides for trucks hauling construction aggregates authorization to exceed the maximum gross vehicle weight limit in certain circumstances. Provides for exceptions and definitions.

Present law defines "construction aggregates" as sand, gravel, crushed stone, reef shell, clam shell, sand-clam shell mixture, sand-reef shell mixture, sand clay gravel, clam-reef shell mixture, crushed concrete, expanded clay, calcium sulfate hemihydrate, asphalt, bulk soil, and dirt.

Proposed law modifies the present law definition for "construction aggregates" to include bulk rock, sand rock, and asphalt millings.

Proposed law authorizes dump trucks hauling concrete or construction aggregates to exceed the maximum permissible axle weight, without a penalty, provided the truck does not exceed its maximum permissible gross weight by more than 10%, the truck does not exceed the posted load while crossing a posted bridge, the truck is not operating on the interstate system, and no tire on the truck exceeds its tire weight rating.

Proposed law further provides that if the truck's total excess weight is greater than 10% of its maximum permissible gross weight it must be assessed a penalty based on the total amount by which the truck's weight exceeds its maximum permissible gross weight.

Proposed law defines "dump truck" as a vehicle designed exclusively to transport construction aggregates.

(Amends R.S. 32:388(B)(4)(b)(intro. para.); Adds R.S. 32:388(B)(1)(b)(v) and (4)(b)(xvi) through (xviii))