

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA**  
**SESSION 2013**

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**SENATE BILL 379\***

Short Title:   Weight Limits/Animal Feed Trucks. (Public)

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Sponsors:    Senators Jackson (Primary Sponsor); Brock, Jenkins, and Walters.

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Referred to:   Transportation.

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March 21, 2013

1                                   A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS APPLICABLE TO VEHICLES  
3 TRANSPORTING FEED THAT IS USED IN THE FEEDING OF POULTRY OR  
4 LIVESTOCK WHEN TRAVELING WITHIN ONE HUNDRED FIFTY MILES OF THE  
5 POINT OF ORIGIN TO CERTAIN LOCATIONS.

6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

7       **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-118(c)(12) reads as rewritten:

8       "(12) Subsections (b) and (e) of this section do not apply to a vehicle or vehicle  
9       combination that meets all of the conditions set out below:

10       a.    Is transporting any of the following items within 150 miles of the  
11       point of origination:

12           1.    Agriculture crop products transported from a farm to a  
13           processing plant or market.

14           2.    Water, fertilizer, pesticides, seeds, fuel, or animal waste  
15           transported to or from a farm by a farm vehicle as defined in  
16           G.S. 20-37.16(e)(3).

17           3.    Meats, livestock, or live poultry transported from the farm  
18           where they were raised to a processing plant or market.

19           3a.    Feed that is used in the feeding of poultry or livestock and  
20           transported from a storage facility, holding facility, or mill to  
21           a farm.

22           4.    Forest products originating and transported from a farm or  
23           woodlands to market with delay interruption or delay for  
24           further packaging or processing after initiating transport.

25           5.    Wood residuals, including wood chips, sawdust, mulch, or  
26           tree bark from any site.

27           6.    Raw logs to market.

28           7.    Trees grown as Christmas trees from field, farm, stand, or  
29           grove to a processing point.

30       b.    Repealed by Session Laws 1993 (Reg. Sess., 1994), c. 761, s. 13.

31       b1.   Does not operate on an interstate highway or exceed any posted  
32       bridge weight limits during transportation or hauling of agricultural  
33       products.

34       c.    Meets any of the following vehicle configurations:



- 1 1. Does not exceed a single-axle weight of 22,000 pounds, a  
2 tandem-axle weight of 42,000 pounds, or a gross weight of  
3 90,000 pounds.
- 4 2. Consists of a five or more axle combination vehicle that does  
5 not exceed a single-axle weight of 26,000 pounds, a  
6 tandem-axle weight of 44,000 pounds and a gross weight of  
7 90,000 pounds, with a length of at least 48 feet between the  
8 center of axle one and the center of the last axle of the vehicle  
9 and a minimum of 11 feet between the center of axle one and  
10 the center of axle two of the vehicle.
- 11 3. Consists of a two-axle vehicle that does not exceed a gross  
12 weight of 37,000 pounds and a single-axle weight of no more  
13 than 27,000 pounds, with a length of at least 14 feet between  
14 the center of axle one and the center of axle two of the  
15 vehicle.

16 d. Repealed by Session Laws 2012-78, s. 6, effective June 26, 2012."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective July 1, 2013.