WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

2017 REGULAR SESSION

Enrolled

Senate Bill 164

BY SENATOR BLAIR

[Passed March 31, 2017; in effect 90 days from passage]

AN ACT to amend and reenact §17C-17-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended,
relating to traffic regulations and special load limits; changing the load limitation of a digger
or derrick line truck from forty feet to forty-five feet in length; increasing from six to nine
feet the distance a load may extend beyond the foremost part of the truck; and increasing
from nine to eleven feet the distance a load may extend beyond the rear of the body of
the truck.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

1 That §17C-17-5 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended and 2 reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 17. SIZE, WEIGHT AND LOAD.

§17C-17-5. Special load limits.

1 (a) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this article limiting the length of vehicles and 2 loads, the load upon any vehicle operated alone or the load upon the front vehicle of a combination 3 of vehicles shall not extend more than three feet beyond the foremost part of the vehicle, and the 4 load upon any vehicle operated alone or the load upon the rear vehicle of a combination of 5 vehicles shall not extend more than six feet beyond the rear of the bed or body of such vehicle: 6 Provided. That a digger/derrick line truck may be operated with a load of no more than forty-five 7 feet in length, with the load extending no more than nine feet beyond the foremost part of the 8 truck and no more than eleven feet beyond the rear of the bed of the body of the truck, between 9 sunrise and sunset except in an emergency, and the operation of the truck shall comply with the 10 provisions of section fourteen, article fifteen of this chapter.

(b) The limitations as to length of vehicles and loads heretofore stated in section four of this article and subsection (a) of this section shall not apply to any load upon a pole trailer when transporting poles or pipes or structural material which cannot be dismembered: *Provided*, That no pole or pipe or other material exceeding eighty feet in length shall be so transported unless a permit has first been obtained as authorized in section eleven of this article.

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

Chairman, Senate Committee

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Originated in the Senate.

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President of the Senate

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