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STATE OF COLORADO**

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**SENATE BILL 21-084**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101      **CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROHIBIT**  
102                    **THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES UPON ROUGHED-IN ROADS**  
103                    **WHEN NECESSARY FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE PUBLIC.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://leg.colorado.gov>.)*

Current law allows local governments to prohibit the operation of trucks and commercial vehicles on designated roads. The bill expands this to allow local governments to prohibit the operation of motor vehicles on roughed-in roads, which are areas where the ground has been cut with the intention to make a road but has not been improved enough to qualify as

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters or bold & italic numbers indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

SENATE  
3rd Reading Unamended  
March 17, 2021

SENATE  
Amended 2nd Reading  
March 16, 2021

a road.

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1 *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-1-102, **add** (85.5)  
3 as follows:

4 **42-1-102. Definitions.** As used in articles 1 to 4 of this title 42,  
5 unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (85.5) "ROUGHED-IN ROAD" MEANS AN AREA OF GROUND THAT  
7 HAS BEEN CUT WITH THE INTENTION TO MAKE A HIGHWAY BUT WHICH HAS  
8 NOT BEEN IMPROVED ENOUGH TO MAKE THE AREA QUALIFY AS A  
9 HIGHWAY.

10 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 42-4-106, **amend** (3)  
11 as follows:

12 **42-4-106. Who may restrict right to use highways - definitions**  
13 **- rules - repeal.** (3) Local authorities, with respect to highways under  
14 their jurisdiction, may also, by ordinance or resolution:

15 (a) Prohibit the operation of trucks or commercial vehicles on  
16 designated highways;

17 (b) ~~or may~~ Impose limitations as to the weight thereof, which  
18 ~~prohibitions and limitations shall be~~ OF TRUCKS OR COMMERCIAL  
19 VEHICLES IF THE LIMITATIONS ARE designated by appropriate signs placed  
20 on ~~such highways~~ THE HIGHWAY; OR

21 (c) PROHIBIT THE OPERATION OF MOTOR OR OFF-HIGHWAY  
22 VEHICLES UPON A ROUGHED-IN ROAD WHEN NECESSARY FOR THE  
23 PROTECTION AND SAFETY OF THE PUBLIC.

24 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 43-2-110, **amend**  
25 (1.5)(b) as follows:

1           **43-2-110. Selection by county - notice - secondary system.**

2           (1.5) The board of county commissioners of any county with a population  
3           of two hundred fifty thousand or more may designate as a primary road  
4           any four-lane controlled-access county highway, the construction of  
5           which commences in 2016, that is located within the unincorporated area  
6           of the county and that intersects with an interstate highway or a United  
7           States numbered highway. If a city or an incorporated town subsequently  
8           annexes any portion of a highway that has been designated as a primary  
9           road, the respective jurisdiction, control, and duty of the county and of the  
10          city or incorporated town with respect to the highway is as follows:

11           (b) The county has the authority to grant or deny access to the  
12          highway AND TO ROUGHED-IN ROADS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 42-1-102  
13          (85.5), and to establish weight restrictions for vehicles traveling on the  
14          highway as authorized by section 42-4-106 (1), (2), and ~~(3)~~, C.R.S. (3)(b).

15           **SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
16          takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the  
17          ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly; except  
18          that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V  
19          of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this  
20          act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take  
21          effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in  
22          November 2022 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the  
23          official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.