

CHAPTER 139

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

SENATE BILL 02-158

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AN ACT**CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON THE SIZE OF CERTAIN VEHICLES.**

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

SECTION 1. 42-4-502 (2) (b) and (5), Colorado Revised Statutes, are amended to read:

42-4-502. Width of vehicles. (2) (b) A vehicle ~~used only as a single unit~~ AND TRAILER may transport a load of ~~small~~ rectangular hay bales if such vehicle and load do not exceed ten feet six inches in width. ~~and thirty feet in length.~~

(5) (a) The total outside width of vehicles as included in this section shall not be construed so as to prohibit the projection beyond such width of clearance lights, rearview mirrors, or other accessories required by federal, state, or city laws or regulations.

(b) THE WIDTH REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED BY SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION SHALL NOT INCLUDE APPURTENANCES ON RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO MOTOR HOMES, TRAVEL TRAILERS, FIFTH WHEEL TRAILERS, CAMPING TRAILERS, RECREATIONAL PARK TRAILERS, AND TRUCK CAMPERS, ALL AS DEFINED IN SECTION 24-32-902, C.R.S., SO LONG AS SUCH RECREATIONAL VEHICLE, INCLUDING SUCH APPURTENANCES, DOES NOT EXCEED A TOTAL OUTSIDE WIDTH OF NINE FEET SIX INCHES.

SECTION 2. 42-1-102, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

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

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

(4.5) "APPURTENANCE" MEANS A PIECE OF EQUIPMENT THAT IS AFFIXED OR ATTACHED TO A MOTOR VEHICLE OR TRAILER AND IS USED FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE OR TASK, INCLUDING AWNINGS, SUPPORT HARDWARE, AND EXTRACTABLE EQUIPMENT. "APPURTENANCE" DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY ITEM OR EQUIPMENT THAT IS TEMPORARILY AFFIXED OR ATTACHED TO THE EXTERIOR OF A MOTOR VEHICLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSPORTING SUCH VEHICLE.

SECTION 3. Effective date. This act shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly that is allowed for submitting a referendum petition pursuant to article V, section 1 (3) of the state constitution; except that, if a referendum petition is filed against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part, if approved by the people, shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by proclamation of the governor.

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