CHAPTER 56

MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC REGULATION

HOUSE BILL 11-1176

BY REPRESENTATIVE(S) Ramirez, Bradford, Brown, Holbert, Kerr J., Looper, Nikkel, Schafer S., Vigil, Wilson; also SENATOR(S) Renfroe.

AN ACT

CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION OF CRUDE OIL FROM DESIGNATED ROUTES SET BY THE STATE PATROL FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES BY MOTOR VEHICLE.

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

SECTION 1. Part 3 of article 20 of title 42, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION to read:

42-20-300.3. Definitions. AS USED IN THIS PART 3, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

(1) "ROUTE DESIGNATION" MEANS A DESIGNATION OF A ROUTE BY THE STATE PATROL UNDER THIS PART 3.

SECTION 2. 42-20-301 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

42-20-301. Route designation. (1) (a) The patrol, after consultation with local governmental authorities, shall have the sole authority to designate which public roads shall be ARE TO BE used and which shall not be ARE NOT TO BE used by motor vehicles transporting hazardous materials. THE PATROL SHALL exercise of such authority shall be made pursuant to IN ACCORDANCE WITH section 42-20-302. Such designation may exempt Gasoline, diesel fuel, and liquefied petroleum gas ARE EXEMPT FROM ROUTE DESIGNATION unless the petitioning authority specified in section 42-20-302 requests their inclusion. Such designation THE PATROL MAY EXEMPT CRUDE OIL FROM ROUTE DESIGNATION AFTER A REQUEST FROM THE PETITIONING AUTHORITY.

(b) The patrol may include, as part of designated route restrictions, the closing of streets and highways and whatever other conditions or restrictions the

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patrol deems advisable, except for hours of operation and curfews. Any such designation in this part 3 shall be referred to as a route designation.

(c) Routes designated by the patrol pursuant to this part 3 shall not apply to motor vehicles when used to transport to or from the farm or ranch site products necessary for agricultural production.

(d) No city, county, or city and county may impose restrictions on hours of operation on designated routes; except that this provision shall not apply to any city, county, or city and county which, by resolution or ordinance, had routes or hours of operation restrictions in effect on July 1, 1985.

SECTION 3. 42-20-302 (11), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

(11) (a) The patrol shall base the approval or denial of a petition to exempt crude oil upon due consideration of the factors listed in subsection (8) of this section.

(b) The patrol shall approve route designations for gasoline, diesel fuel, and liquefied petroleum gas requested by petitioning authorities under section 42-20-301 (1) where such designations follow routes approved by the patrol for other hazardous materials under this section.

SECTION 4. Act subject to petition - effective date - applicability.  
(1) 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 (August 10, 2011, if adjournment sine die is on May 11, 2011); except that, if a referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act within such period, then the act, item, section, or part shall not take effect unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in November 2012 and shall take effect on the date of the official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

(2) The provisions of this act shall apply to petitions made on or after the applicable effective date of this act.

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