

(KEYWORD, SUMMARY, AND DIGEST as amended by Senate committee amendments)

**MTR VEHICLE/WEIGHT REGS: Provides for unladen lift equipment to tow a vehicle.**

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DIGEST

Proposed law authorizes, if there are no objections raised by the federal government, noncritical off-road equipment that has been issued a valid annual noncritical off-road equipment permit to tow a two-axle vehicle provided the towed vehicle does not exceed 10,000 pounds gross vehicle weight and the combination of the off-road equipment and the towed vehicle does not exceed an overall length of 65 feet. Further authorizes counterweights to be carried on the off-road equipment if carried in functional position.

(Adds R.S. 32:387.12(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works to the original bill.

1. Changes section of law amended from R.S. 32:387.11 to 387.12.
2. Provides that a permit may be issued for noncritical off-road equipment to tow a vehicle if the federal government does not object.
3. Provides that a permit may be issued if the noncritical off-road equipment and combination of the noncritical off-road equipment and towed vehicle do not exceed certain lengths.
4. Provides requirements for noncritical off-road equipment towing a vehicle and carrying counterweights.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Transportation, Highways, and Public Works to the reengrossed bill.

1. Removes the option for a concurrent permit to be issued to allow off-road vehicle to tow a two-axle vehicle.
2. Removes the prohibition that non-critical off-road equipment does not exceed forty-five feet in length.
3. Removes fee and time restraint.