Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 1079
(Transportation Committee)
(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 39-12-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to steering axle weight limits on the national system of interstate and defense highways.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 39-12-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. With a single axle that carries a gross weight in excess of twenty thousand pounds [9071.85 kilograms] or a wheel load over ten thousand pounds [4535.92 kilograms]. A wheel may not carry a gross weight over five hundred fifty pounds [249.48 kilograms] for each inch [2.54 centimeters] of tire width <u>except that such limits may not be applied to tires on the steering axle. Steering axle weights are limited to twenty thousand pounds [9071.85 kilograms] or the axle rating established by the manufacturer, whichever is lower</u>. Axles spaced forty inches [101.60 centimeters] apart or less are considered as one axle and, on axles spaced over forty inches [101.60 centimeters] and under eight feet [2.44 meters] apart, the axle load may not exceed seventeen thousand pounds [7711.07 kilograms] per axle. The wheel load, in any instance, may not exceed one-half the allowable axle load. Spacing between axles is measured from axle center to axle center.

_____ Speaker of the House

_____ President of the Senate

_____ Chief Clerk of the House

_____ Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1079.

House Vote:	Yeas 90	Nays 2	Absent 2
Senate Vote:	Yeas 44	Nays 0	Absent 3

_____ Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____M. on _____, 2011.

Approved at _____M. on _____, 2011.

_____ Governor

Filed in this office this _____day of _____, 2011,

at _____ o'clock _____M.

_____ Secretary of State