

Fiscal Note

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Identifier: SB218-DOT-MSCVC-03-08-2024
Title: VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITS
Sponsor: KAWASAKI BY REQUEST
Requester: S(TRA)

Department: Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
Appropriation: Administration and Support
Allocation: Measurement Standards & Commercial Vehicle Compliance
OMB Component Number: 2332

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2025 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2025 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
			FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2025	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030
Personal Services	592.2		592.2	592.2	592.2	592.2	592.2
Travel							
Services	546.3		90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0	90.0
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	1,138.5	0.0	682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2

Fund Source (Operating Only)

1005 GF/Prgm (DGF)	1,138.5		682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2
Total	1,138.5	0.0	682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2	682.2

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2024) cost: 0.0 *(separate supplemental appropriation required)*

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2025) cost: 0.0 *(separate capital appropriation required)*

Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account? No
(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes
If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed? 06/30/24

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Initial Version

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Agency: Program Management & Administration

FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

The bill adds a new subsection to AS 19.10.060 to charge a permit fee for a vehicle weight to exceed 140,000 pounds. The proposed permit fee is to be calculated, in part, using the "equivalent single axle load" (ESAL) method, which requires actual weights. Additionally, a driver interview would be necessary to determine the distance traveled to calculate the fee. The language also specifies the permit fee to incorporate the administrative costs related to issuing the permits and enforcement.

DOT&PF's typical cost per lane mile of rural rehabilitation work is \$1,632.0, and those are designed using an average of 1,000,000 ESALs. This calculates to one dollar and sixty-three cents per ESAL.

Based on Weigh-in-Motion technology, the number of vehicle weights exceeding 140,000 pounds:

FY2022: 5,766

FY2023: 6,071

FY2024 (7/1/23-1/31/24): 3,627

Measurement Standards and Commercial Vehicle Compliance (MSCVC) issues oversize/overweight permits, conducts enforcement, and operates the nine weigh stations statewide. The Size and Weight Enforcement Plan will be modified to include six new positions to allow for 24hr weigh station operations. Six Commercial Vehicle Compliance Inspector (CVCI) (level 1) full-time positions would be needed to verify weights for the permit fee calculations and to conduct the additional enforcement.

6 CVCI 1, Range 13, Step D: $\$98.7 \times 6 = \592.2

Core Service Chargebacks for 6 full-time CVCI 1 positions: $\$15.0 \times 6 = \90.0

In FY2025, an IT Contractor would be required to develop a method of calculating the new permit fees, which includes making technical modifications to the oversize/overweight permit system. Program Management and Administrative Services Division would require the IT Contractor services for 1 year (2,080 hours).

1 IT Contractor: \$456.3

It is anticipated that changes to the following regulations would be necessary:

17 AAC 35 DOT&PF Toll Highways

17 AAC 25 DOT&PF Operations Wheeled Vehicles