

HB 2163 -- VEHICLE HEIGHT AND WEIGHT LIMITS

SPONSOR: Riddle

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Committee on Transportation by a vote of 9 to 0.

This bill changes the laws regarding motor vehicle height and weight limits for the commercial zones in the city of Columbia. The bill creates a 15-foot height limitation and a 22,400 pound weight limitation for any motor vehicle within the commercial zone of Columbia. The commercial zone extends from the city limits along U.S. Highway 63 for 8 miles, and extends east from the city limits along State Route WW to the intersection of State Route J and continues south on State Route J for four miles.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will remove unfair competition practices. It will establish an equal level of competition for companies currently within the commercial zone and companies that are right outside the current commercial zone. It will bring parity to the quarry market around Columbia.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Riddle and Doug Mertins.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.