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DELAWARE STATE SENATE
150th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

SENATE BILL NO. 31

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 21 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

1 Section 1. Amend § 4504, Title 21, of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through and
2 insertions as shown by underline as follows:

3 § 4504 Regulations; fees; permits for excessive size and weights.

4 (c)(1) Single trip permits shall be issued for single trips from the designated starting point to the designated
5 terminal point. Intermediate stopping points and round trips are not permitted.

6 (2) Multi-trip permits shall be issued for a period of 1 year or the period from the first day of the month to the
7 first day of the following month. Each permit shall be valid as authorized herein; it shall not be transferable.

8 a. Utility companies may be issued a permit for piling and pole trailers. Each permit may be valid for up
9 to 4 trailers at the time of issue.

10 b. Utility companies and governmental agencies may be issued a permit for a manned and/or unmanned
11 aerial type single motor vehicle up to 50 feet long. Each permit shall be valid for an individual vehicle only.

12 c. Pole and piling haulers may be issued a permit for piling and pole movements. Each permit shall be
13 valid for an individual tractor only.

14 d. A specific route permit may be issued to owners or renters of double-bottom vehicles weighing not
15 more than 80,000 lbs. with a width of not more than 102 inches. Each permit shall be for a single route between 2
16 specific points. Such permit shall not be vehicle specific; it is route specific.

SYNOPSIS

The Department of Transportation is already authorized to issue multi-trip permits for pole and piling semitrailers and double-bottom vehicles, also known as "twin trailers," on a monthly basis. This Act authorizes the Department to also issue the permits on an annual basis. The existing law provides that a monthly permit must be issued for a specified period; an annual permit, in contrast, is not limited to a specified period.

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