



# HOUSE BILL 95: Truck Deliveries to Port/Night Travel.

2017-2018 General Assembly

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**OVERVIEW:** *S.L. 2017-97 authorizes the issuance of oversized and overweight permits that allow travel after sunset for vehicles transporting cargo, containers, or other equipment, and prohibits the Department of Transportation from restricting nighttime travel for shipments going to or from international ports unless it is determined to be unsafe.*

*This act became effective July 12, 2017.*

**CURRENT LAW:** The Department of Transportation is authorized to issue permits for oversized and overweight vehicles, subject to the rules established by the Department for issuance of the permits. *G.S. 20-119.*

By rule, oversized and overweight permits issued by the Department require that movements be made between sunrise and sunset. Additional time restrictions may be set by the issuing office in the interest of safety or to expedite flow of traffic. *19A NCAC 2D.0607*

**BILL ANALYSIS:** This act authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue oversized and overweight permits for shipments of cargo, containers, or other equipment that allow travel after sunset. The Department is prohibited from including conditions that prohibit travel after sunset when issuing permits for shipments going to or from international ports. However, the Department retains the authority to restrict movements it determines to be unsafe.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act became effective July 12, 2017.

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