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HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 41.14G: Authorize Issuance of Oversize Permits for Movement of Sheds and Other Structures up to 16 Feet Wide

Committee:
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Analysis of: Sec. 41.14G of S.L. 2023-134

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OVERVIEW: Section 41.14G of S.L. 2023-134 authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue oversize permits for the movement of sheds and other structures up to 16 feet in width.

This section became effective October 1, 2023.

CURRENT LAW: The Department of Transportation is authorized under G.S. 20-119 to issue oversize permits for vehicles transporting commodities when the vehicle will exceed lawful dimensions, including width. The fee for a single trip permit is \$12 for each dimension that exceeds lawful dimensions. Under current law, a person transporting a shed can get an oversize permit for that purpose, unless the shed falls under the definition of "house" in provisions regulating professional housemoving (Article 16 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes). Under that article, "house" is defined as a dwelling, building, or other structure in excess of a specified width. If the shed falls under that definition, the person is required to have the shed transported by a licensed professional housemover. In order to be licensed as a housemover, an applicant must have extensive housemoving experience in addition to meeting other requirements. There are currently only 30 licensees in the State. A licensee must have a permit for each move issued by the Department in accordance with Article 16, rather than G.S. 20-119. The fee for a permit under Article 16 is \$20.

BILL ANALYSIS: Section 41.14G of S.L. 2023-134 amends the definition of "house" under Article 16 of Chapter 20 to exclude structures up to 16 feet wide (was 15 feet wide) from professional housemoving requirements, allowing those structures, including sheds, to be moved with issuance of an oversize permit under G.S. 20-119.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This section became effective October 1, 2023.

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