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STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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SYNOPSIS

Concerns deliveries along certain weight-restricted municipal roads.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.

AN ACT concerning municipal road weight restrictions and amending P.L.1953, c.354.

BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

1. Section 2 of P.L.1953, c.354 (C.40:67-16.2) is amended to read as follows:

2. Nothing in **[**this act**]** P.L.1953, c.354 (C.40:67-16.1 et seq.) shall be construed to prevent **[**such**]** trucks having a total combined gross weight of vehicle plus load in excess of four tons from **[**making deliveries of**]** utilizing a street from which such trucks are otherwise excluded under an ordinance issued pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1953, c.354 (C.40:67-16.1), if utilizing such street is reasonably necessary to deliver merchandise or other property **[**along streets from which such trucks are excluded**]** within the municipality that adopted the ordinance, or to authorize the exclusion from any street in any municipality of trucks used by public utility companies in connection with the construction, installation, operation or maintenance of public utility facilities.

(cf: P.L.1953, c.354, s.2)

2. Section 4 of P.L.1953, c.354 (C.40:67-16.4) is amended to read as follows:

4. Any **[**such**]** ordinance issued pursuant to section 1 of P.L.1953, c.354 (C.40:67-16.1) shall provide for the conspicuous marking of the streets forming the truck routes. The marking shall :

a. be by signs so placed and maintained as to clearly show the truck routes by both day and night **[**, and shall**]** ;

b. designate the weight of the trucks which are required to use such truck routes ; and

c. inform motorists that trucks having a total combined gross weight of vehicle plus load in excess of four tons are permitted to utilize streets from which such trucks are otherwise excluded under the ordinance if utilizing such street is reasonably necessary to deliver merchandise or other property within the municipality.

(cf: P.L.1953, c.354, s.4)

3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the seventh month next following the date of enactment.

STATEMENT

This bill amends current law by authorizing trucks to access certain weight-restricted municipal roads for the purpose of making certain deliveries.

EXPLANATION – Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Under current law, each municipality is authorized to establish, by ordinance, a system of truck routes for trucks having a total combined gross weight of vehicle plus load in excess of four tons. A municipality may require trucks to exclusively use the truck routes and exclude the trucks from all other streets within the municipality unless the trucks are delivering merchandise or other property along such streets.

This bill amends current law to clarify that a delivery exception only applies to deliveries made within the municipality that adopted the ordinance that excludes trucks from streets outside of the established truck routes. The bill also amends current law to require municipalities that adopt such ordinances to provide for the installation of conspicuous signs that state deliveries within the municipality are exempted.