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- 1 Abolition of Babcock test.** Repeals the prohibition of any test for milk fat content other than the Babcock test. Repeals requirements for administration of the Babcock test.
- 2 Vehicles transporting milk.** Exempts vehicles carrying milk from a single point of production to the point of first processing from seasonal weight restrictions imposed by road authorities, and from the statutory restriction of 5 tons per axle from March 20 to May 15 each year. Allows a maximum overweight for these vehicles of two tons per axle on a road posted for five tons per axle. Provides that these exemptions are in effect only until June 1, 2003.
- 3 Conveyance of excess state rail bank property.** Allows the department of transportation to sell part of a railroad right-of-way that was acquired for the state rail bank to a state agency or local government when the department determines that (1) the right-of-way is more than is needed, (2) the conveyance is agreed to by the department and the receiving agency or political subdivision, (3) the remaining rail bank corridor will be sufficient to meet the rail bank's needs, and (4) the conveyance will not reduce the remaining corridor to less than a 50 foot width at any point.
Requires the proceeds from the sale to go to the rail bank maintenance account.