

# House Research Act Summary

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- 1 **Utility vehicles, gross weight limits.** Exempts vehicles owned by a public utility, municipal utility, or electric cooperative that do not exceed 20,000 pounds per axle from the law that governs vehicle weights (other than posted weight limits).
- 2 **Utility vehicles, seasonal weight limits.** Exempts two- and three-axle utility vehicles from seasonal weight limits posted by MnDOT or local road authorities if they do not exceed 20,000 pounds per single axle or 36,000 pounds gross weight for a two-axle vehicle or 48,000 pounds gross weight for a three-axle vehicle. Makes this exemption apply only when the vehicle is performing service restoration or other work necessary to prevent a loss of utility service.
- 3 **Recycling vehicles, seasonal weight limits.** Exempts two-axle vehicles up to 20,000 for a single axle from seasonal weight limits while engaged in recycling in a political subdivision that mandates curbside recycling pickup.
- 4 **Effective date.** Makes sections 1 to 3 effective immediately, and repeals those sections on June 1, 2003.