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- Bill Summary :

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Overview

This bill creates a ten percent motor vehicle weight limit increase for some situations in transporting milk. The changes go into effect the day after enactment.

Section

- 1 [169.8295] Weight limits; vehicles transporting milk. Increases weight limits by ten percent in some circumstances for transporting fluid milk in straight trucks (that is, vehicles that are not truck tractor-semitrailer configurations), without a special permit required.
 - **Subd. 1. Weight limits increase.** Establishes a ten percent vehicle weight limit increase (including per-axle and gross vehicle weights) for single-unit vehicles to transport milk from the point of production to another point of production or the first point of processing. A special permit is not required. This increase is not over and above the ten percent winter weight limit increase in current law.
 - **Subd. 2. Requirements; restrictions.** Establishes that a vehicle operated under the ten percent increase remains subject to some spring load restrictions and bridge postings, as well as to maximum weight ratings for tires and vehicle gross weights.
- **Civil liability.** Makes a conforming change to allow for civil enforcement of overweight milk trucks operating under the ten percent weight limit provision in section 1.