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H.B. No. 3284

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to weight limitations for certain natural gas or electric  
3 vehicles.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 621.101(b-1), Transportation Code, is  
6 amended to read as follows:

7 (b-1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section,  
8 a vehicle [~~or combination of vehicles~~] that is powered by an engine  
9 fueled primarily by natural gas or powered primarily by means of  
10 electric battery power may exceed the gross [any] weight limitation  
11 under this section for the vehicle by up to 2,000 pounds [an amount  
12 ~~that is equal to the difference between the weight of the vehicle~~  
13 ~~attributable to the natural gas tank and fueling system carried by~~  
14 ~~that vehicle and the weight of a comparable diesel tank and fueling~~  
15 ~~system]~~, provided that the maximum gross weight of the vehicle [~~or~~  
16 ~~combination of vehicles~~] may not exceed 82,000 pounds.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2023.