

Amend CSHB 2620 by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. Subchapter Z, Chapter 622, Transportation Code, is amended by adding Section 622.956 to read as follows:

Sec. 622.956. OVER-THE-ROAD BUS. (a) In this section, "over-the-road bus" has the meaning assigned by 42 U.S.C. Section 12181.

(b) An over-the-road bus may be operated on a public highway of this state only if the gross weight and tires of the bus conform to Section 621.101 and:

(1) the single axle weight is not heavier than 24,000 pounds; or

(2) the tandem axle weight does not exceed the maximum tandem axle weight under Section 621.101 by more than 20 percent.

(c) An over-the-road bus may only operate under this subchapter on a highway or road approved by the department.