

## HB 2591 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

### Joint Committee On Transportation

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#### **WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:**

Directs Department of Transportation to study development of uniform standards for speed bump height and markings and report on findings to interim committees of Legislative Assembly related to transportation on or before September 15, 2020. Sunsets January 2, 2021.

**NOTE - this is placeholder language; see "Effect of Amendment" section for measure details**

#### **ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

##### **EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:**

-1 Replaces original measure. Allows combination truck tractors and two property-carrying units transporting sugar beets to receive variance permits. Limits operation of vehicle to U.S. Highway 20, U.S. Highway 26, U.S. Highway 30, or State Highway 201 in or between the cities of Vale, Ontario, and Nyssa. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

##### **BACKGROUND:**

A variance permit can be issued if a road authority or a contractor authorized by a road authority if public interest will be served by allowing the permit. Variance permits can be applied to any vehicle, combination of vehicles, load articles, property, and machines to move over a highway or street. Without a variance permit, vehicles could be in violation of maximum weight limits, maximum size limits, towing safety requirements, and failure to drive within a lane. The road authority may issue permits for different number of trips, for different season, and establish other terms. Current law prohibits a road authority from issuing a variance permit to any vehicle or load that can be readily dismantled or disassembled unless otherwise classified as exempt.

House Bill 2403 -1 allows vehicles transporting sugar beets to receive a variance permit. The measure applies to U.S. Highway 20, U.S. Highway 26, U.S Highway 30, or State Highway 201 in or between the cities of Vale, Ontario, and Nyssa.