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By: **Senator Hafer** Introduced and read first time: February 2, 2005

Assigned to: Judicial Proceedings

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

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Garrett County - Gross Weight of Vehicles - County Roads

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Garrett County to

- 4 establish the authorized gross maximum weight of a vehicle using any part of
- 5 certain roads that are owned and maintained by the county; establishing that a
- 6 certain gross maximum weight may not exceed a certain number of pounds
- 7 subject to a certain exception; authorizing the County Commissioners, in
- 8 establishing the gross maximum weight under this Act, to provide for a certain
- 9 weight tolerance; and generally relating to the gross maximum weight of
- 10 vehicles using county roads in Garrett County.

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 12 Article Transportation
- 13 Section 24-108(b)(3)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Transportation

19 24-108.

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- 20 (b) (3) (i) Except as provided in [subparagraph (ii)] SUBPARAGRAPHS (II)
- 21 AND (III) of this paragraph, any vehicle with a gross maximum weight in excess of
- 22 73,000 pounds may travel only on State highways, except while making a delivery or
- 23 pickup, and then only when traveling by the shortest available legal route to or from
- 24 the State highway for the purpose of making such delivery or pickup. In Baltimore
- 25 City, the shortest available legal route shall be only on designated truck routes.
- 26 (ii) If approved by the local governing body and the State Highway
- 27 Administration, in Dorchester County, a vehicle with a gross maximum weight in
- 28 excess of 73,000 pounds may use the Linkwood Road when traveling between East
- 29 New Market and Linkwood.

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(III) 1. THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF GARRETT COUNTY MAY,
 BY ORDINANCE, ESTABLISH THE AUTHORIZED GROSS MAXIMUM WEIGHT OF A
 VEHICLE USING ANY PART OF TABLE ROCK ROAD AND WILSON RUN ROAD IN
 GARRETT COUNTY THAT IS OWNED AND MAINTAINED BY THE COUNTY.

5 2. SUBJECT TO SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 3 OF THIS
6 SUBPARAGRAPH, THE GROSS MAXIMUM WEIGHT ESTABLISHED UNDER THIS
7 SUBPARAGRAPH MAY NOT EXCEED 80,000 POUNDS.

8 3. IN ESTABLISHING THE GROSS MAXIMUM WEIGHT UNDER
 9 THIS SUBPARAGRAPH, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MAY PROVIDE FOR A
 10 TOLERANCE NOT EXCEEDING 10 PERCENT OVER THE ESTABLISHED GROSS
 11 MAXIMUM WEIGHT.

12 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 13 October 1, 2005.