

Working draft for discussion
at TIC meeting 7/8/2026

**** BILL NO. ****

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING FEES FOR OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES;
AND AMENDING SECTIONS 61-10-107, 61-10-125, 61-10-130, 61-10-144, 61-10-145, 61-10-146, 61-10-201,
61-10-211, AND 61-10-232, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 61-10-107, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-10-107. (Temporary) Maximum gross weight. (1) (a) An axle may not carry a load in excess of
20,000 pounds, and no two consecutive axles more than 40 inches or less than 96 inches apart may carry a
load in excess of 34,000 pounds. An axle load is the total load transmitted to the road by all wheels whose
centers are included between two parallel transverse vertical planes 40 inches apart, extending across the full
width of the vehicle. For purposes of this section, axles 40 inches or less apart are considered to be a single
axle. Except as provided in subsection (1)(b), the maximum gross weight allowed on a vehicle, group of axles,
or combination of vehicles must be determined by the formula:

$$W = 500((LN/(N - 1)) + 12N + 36)$$

in which W equals gross weight, L equals wheelbase in feet, and N equals number of axles, except that
two consecutive sets of tandem axles may carry a gross load of 34,000 pounds each if the overall distance
between the first and last axles of the consecutive sets of tandem axles is 36 feet or more. The maximum gross
weight allowed on a vehicle may not exceed the weight limits adopted by the department. The department shall
adopt rules for weight limits based upon the most recent version of 23 CFR, part 658, appendix c, for vehicles
operating in Montana.

(b) A vehicle traveling on U.S. highway 93 from the border between Canada and the United States
to 10 miles south of the border or on Montana highway 16 from the border between Canada and the United
States to 20 miles south of the border is subject to the specific maximum allowable gross weight limit provided

1 in rules adopted by the department but is not subject to maximum gross weight limits determined by the formula
2 in subsection (1)(a).

3 (2) (a) Notwithstanding a vehicle's conformance with the requirements of subsection (1), except for
4 the steering axle, all axles weighing over 11,000 pounds must have at least four tires or have wide-base tires.
5 The maximum load on an axle, other than a steering axle, equipped with wide-base tires is limited to 500
6 pounds for each inch of tire width.

7 (b) The provisions of subsection (2)(a) do not apply to passenger buses.

8 (c) For the purposes of this section, wide-base tires are tires that are 14 or more inches in nominal
9 width. The maximum tire weight limit is computed for wide-base tires based on the number of inches shown on
10 the tire marking, or if the tire marking is shown by metric size, the tire weight limit is computed by conversion of
11 the metric size.

12 (3) This section does not apply to highways that are a part of the national system of interstate and
13 defense highways (as referred to in 23 U.S.C. 127) when application of this section would prevent this state
14 from receiving federal funds for highway purposes. (Terminates on occurrence of contingency--sec. 2, Ch. 342,
15 L. 2005.)

16 **61-10-107. (Effective on occurrence of contingency) Maximum gross weight.** (1) An axle may
17 not carry a load in excess of 20,000 pounds, and no two consecutive axles more than 40 inches or less than 96
18 inches apart may carry a load in excess of 34,000 pounds. An axle load is the total load transmitted to the road
19 by all wheels whose centers are included between two parallel transverse vertical planes 40 inches apart,
20 extending across the full width of the vehicle. For purposes of this section, axles 40 inches or less apart are
21 considered to be a single axle. The maximum gross weight allowed on a vehicle, group of axles, or combination
22 of vehicles must be determined by the formula:

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12 defense highways (as referred to in 23 U.S.C. 127) when application of this section would prevent this state
13 from receiving federal funds for highway purposes."
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15 **Section 2.** Section 61-10-125, MCA, is amended to read:

16 **"61-10-125. Other fees.** (1) For a single trip permit for a load that is over the gross allowable load
17 provided for by the formula in 61-10-107(1) but that does not exceed axle limits set forth in 61-10-107(1), the
18 department of transportation shall charge for distances traveled:

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been doubled

19 (a) ~~\$10-\$20~~ for distances up to and including 100 miles;

20 (b) ~~\$30-\$60~~ for distances from 101 to 199 miles; and

21 (c) ~~\$50-\$100~~ for distances 200 miles and over.

22 (2) (a) Upon application, the department of transportation or its agent under 61-10-121(4) may
23 issue a wintertime permit or a durational permit authorizing the applicant to operate a vehicle, combination of
24 vehicles, load, or object exceeding by up to 10% the maximum weight limits specified in 61-10-106 through 61-
25 10-110.

26 (b) (i) The nonrefundable fee for a wintertime permit is ~~\$50-\$100~~ for each vehicle. A wintertime
27 permit is valid for 30 days or until March 7, whichever is earlier.

28 (ii) The nonrefundable fee for a durational permit is ~~\$150-\$300~~ for each vehicle. A durational

1 permit is valid for the period between December 1 and March 7.

2 (3) (a) The department of transportation shall charge a fee of:

3 (i) ~~\$200~~ \$400 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1) but
4 that does not exceed a total of 5,000 pounds in excess axle weight;

5 (ii) ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
6 but that does not exceed a total of 10,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no single axle exceeding 5,000
7 pounds in excess axle weight;

8 (iii) ~~\$750~~ \$1,500 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
9 but that does not exceed a total of 15,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no single axle exceeding 5,000
10 pounds in excess axle weight;

11 (iv) ~~\$1,000~~ \$2,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
12 but that does not exceed a total of 20,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no single axle exceeding 5,000
13 pounds in excess axle weight and no tandem axle exceeding 15,000 pounds in excess axle weight;

14 (v) ~~\$1,500~~ \$3,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
15 but that does not exceed a total of 25,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no axle or axle group exceeding
16 the maximum weight allowed by a weight analysis conducted by the department of transportation;

17 (vi) ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
18 but that does not exceed a total of 30,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no axle or axle group exceeding
19 the maximum weight allowed by a weight analysis conducted by the department of transportation;

20 (vii) ~~\$3,000~~ \$6,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
21 but that does not exceed a total of 35,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no axle or axle group exceeding
22 the maximum weight allowed by a weight analysis conducted by the department of transportation;

23 (viii) ~~\$4,000~~ \$8,000 for a term permit for a load that is in excess of the limits set forth in 61-10-107(1)
24 but that does not exceed a total of 40,000 pounds in excess axle weight, with no axle or axle group exceeding
25 the maximum weight allowed by a weight analysis conducted by the department of transportation.

26 (b) The fees provided in subsection (3)(a) are annual fees but may be prorated on a quarterly
27 basis and may be paid quarterly, semiannually, or annually. However, if the fee is paid other than annually,
28 there is an additional fee of ~~\$10~~ \$20 each time a fee is paid.

1 (c) A permit issued under this subsection (3) is valid for a period of no less than 1 calendar quarter
 2 and no more than 1 calendar year.

3 (d) The department of transportation or its agent may not issue a term permit for loads that exceed
 4 10,000 pounds in excess axle weight unless the person applying for the term permit has obtained approval from
 5 the department of transportation, through a weight analysis, for the configuration of the vehicle.

6 (4) The department of transportation shall charge for a permit to move a load that exceeds the
 7 single axle, tandem axle, or axle group limits set forth in 61-10-107(1) the following fee based upon the sum of
 8 excess in axle or axle group weights:

Total Excess Axle Weight

Calculated Cost of

(pounds)	

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25 Miles of Travel

(dollars)	

5,000

7.00 ~~3.50~~

10,000

14.00 ~~7.00~~

15,000

21.00 ~~10.50~~

20,000

28.00 ~~14.00~~

25,000

35.00 ~~17.50~~

30,000

42.00 ~~21.00~~

35,000

49.00 ~~24.50~~

40,000

56.00 ~~28.00~~

45,000

63.00 ~~31.50~~

50,000

70.00 ~~35.00~~

55,000

77.00 ~~38.50~~

60,000

84.00 ~~42.00~~

65,000

91.00 ~~45.50~~

70,000

98.00 ~~49.00~~

75,000

105.00 ~~52.50~~

80,000

112.00 ~~56.00~~

85,000	<u>119.00</u> 59.50
90,000	<u>126.00</u> 63.00
95,000	<u>133.00</u> 66.50
100,000	<u>140.00</u> 70.00
over 100,000	70.00 <u>140.00</u> + 3.50 <u>7.00</u> per 5,000 lbs. or part of 5,000 lbs. in excess of 100,000 lbs.

(5) For purposes of subsection (4):

(a) mileage must be rounded off in units of 25 miles and mileage in excess of a 25-mile increment must be assessed at the next higher 25-mile increment; and

(b) weight must be rounded off in 5,000-pound increments and weight in excess of a 5,000-pound increment must be assessed at the next higher 5,000-pound increment.

(6) A vehicle must be licensed to the maximum allowable weight authorized under 61-10-107 before an overweight permit may be issued."

Section 3. Section 61-10-130, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-10-130. Custom combiner's special permit -- fee -- collection -- distribution -- not transferable. (1) In lieu of the taxes required by 15-24-301 and in lieu of motor vehicle license fees, gross vehicle weight fees, and overwidth, overlength, and overheight permits provided for in Title 61, a nonresident engaged in the business of custom combining who brings equipment into the state may pay a special permit fee of ~~\$40~~ \$80 for each unit. A unit includes:

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(a) one truck suitable for hauling grain;
 (b) one header trailer or one combine trailer; and
 (c) pickup trucks and all other equipment, except combines, used by a nonresident and brought into the state as part of the nonresident's business of custom combining.

(2) In lieu of gross vehicle weight fees and overwidth, overlength, and overheight permits, Montana residents engaged in the business of custom combining may pay the annual farm gross vehicle weight fees and a special permit fee of ~~\$20~~ \$40 for each unit. A unit includes:

(a) one truck suitable for hauling grain;

1 (b) one header trailer or one combine trailer; and

2 (c) pickup trucks used by the resident in the resident's business of custom combining.

3 (3) When used to transport agricultural products, a truck authorized to be used under a custom
4 combiner's special permit may be operated only within a 100-mile radius from the harvested field to the point of
5 first unloading. The truck may not haul agricultural products from one commercial elevator to another
6 commercial elevator. The truck may be operated on any highway, except an interstate highway, as defined in
7 60-1-103, without incurring excess weight penalties under 61-10-145 if the total gross weight of the truck does
8 not exceed allowable weight limitations by more than 20% for each axle and the maximum load for each inch of
9 tire width does not exceed 670 pounds. A trip permit is not required. If the truck exceeds the tolerance provided
10 under this subsection, the fine or penalty imposed applies to all weight over the legal limit allowed by 61-10-
11 107.

12 (4) A combine trailer authorized to be used under subsection (1)(b) or (2)(b) may be operated
13 under the same limitations, except that the 100-mile limitation does not apply and the combine trailer may be
14 used upon any highway of the state, including an interstate highway, as defined in 60-1-103. If the combine
15 trailer exceeds the tolerance provided under subsection (3), the fine or penalty imposed applies to all weight
16 over the legal limit allowed by 61-10-107.

17 (5) The fee required by this section must be collected by the department of transportation. Upon
18 payment of the fee, the department of transportation shall provide an identifying device to be displayed on each
19 truck, header trailer, or combine trailer and other equipment used by the nonresident or resident in the person's
20 business of custom combining in the state. The device is valid for the calendar year in which the fee is
21 collected.

22 (6) All fees collected under this section must be distributed not later than January 31 immediately
23 following the period of licensure as follows:

24 62.5% (formatting error)
(a) 62.5% to the state general fund; and

25 37.5% (formatting error)
(b) 37.5% to the state special revenue fund for the department of transportation.

26 (7) The identifying devices and fee paid for each unit are not transferable from one vehicle to
27 another or transferable on the sale or change of ownership.

28 (8) The department of transportation may adopt rules, as provided in Title 2, chapter 4, to

1 implement the provisions of this section."

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3 **Section 4.** Section 61-10-144, MCA, is amended to read:

4 **"61-10-144. Violation of standards -- tolerance.** (1) It is a misdemeanor for a person, firm, or
 5 corporation to violate any provision of 61-10-101 through 61-10-104 and 61-10-106 through 61-10-110.

6 (2) The operator of a vehicle or combination of vehicles may move over the highways to the first
 7 open stationary scale or portable scale on an engineered site, as defined in 61-10-141, without incurring the
 8 excess weight penalties set forth in 61-10-145 if the total gross weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles
 9 does not exceed allowable total gross weight limitations by more than 10% and if the weight carried by any axle
 10 or combination of axles does not exceed the allowable axle weight limitations by more than 10%. If the vehicle
 11 or combination of vehicles is not in excess of the allowable total gross or axle weight limitations by more than
 12 10%, the department may issue a single trip permit for the fee of ~~\$10, \$20,~~ allowing the vehicle or combination
 13 of vehicles to move over the highways to the first facility where its load can be safely adjusted or to its
 14 destination. Violations of total gross or axle weight limitations in excess of 10% are subject to the fines provided
 15 in 61-10-145, and all loads in excess of 10% of the total gross or axle weight limitations:

16 (a) may be required to be adjusted or reduced to conform to the size and weight limitations before
 17 the vehicle or combination of vehicles is moved from the point of weighing; or

18 (b) may be issued a permit as authorized by 61-10-141.

19 (3) Farm vehicles transporting agricultural products from a harvesting combine or other harvesting
 20 machinery may be operated on any highway, except an interstate highway, as defined in 60-1-103, within a
 21 100-mile radius of the harvested field to the point of first unloading without incurring excess weight penalties
 22 under 61-10-145 if the total gross weight of the farm vehicle or combination of vehicles does not exceed
 23 allowable weight limitations by more than 20% for each axle and the maximum load for each inch of tire width
 24 does not exceed 670 pounds. A single trip permit, as required in subsection (2), is not applicable to the farm
 25 vehicle or combination of vehicles. When a farm vehicle or combination of vehicles violates any of the
 26 provisions of this subsection, the fine or penalty imposed applies to that portion of the load above the legal
 27 limit."

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Section 5. Section 61-10-145, MCA, is amended to read: **Fees in this section have been doubled**

"61-10-145. Penalties. (1) A person, firm, or corporation convicted of violating 61-10-101 through 61-10-104 and 61-10-106 through 61-10-110 shall be punished by a fine of not less than ~~\$30~~ \$60 or more than ~~\$100~~ \$200. A person, firm, or corporation convicted of operating a motor vehicle upon the public highways of this state with weight upon a wheel, axle, or group of axles greater than the maximum permitted by 61-10-101 through 61-10-104 and 61-10-106 through 61-10-110 shall be fined, in addition to other penalties provided by law for the offense, the following amounts:

- (a) ~~\$30~~ \$60 for any excess weight up to and including 2,000 pounds;
- (b) ~~\$75~~ \$150 for any excess weight more than 2,000 pounds and less than 4,001 pounds;
- (c) ~~\$125~~ \$250 for any excess weight more than 4,000 pounds and less than 6,001 pounds;
- (d) ~~\$175~~ \$350 for any excess weight more than 6,000 pounds and less than 8,001 pounds;
- (e) ~~\$250~~ \$500 for any excess weight more than 8,000 pounds and less than 10,001 pounds;
- (f) ~~\$275~~ \$550 for any excess weight more than 10,000 pounds and less than 12,001 pounds;
- (g) ~~\$300~~ \$600 for any excess weight more than 12,000 pounds and less than 14,001 pounds;
- (h) ~~\$400~~ \$800 for any excess weight more than 14,000 pounds and less than 16,001 pounds;
- (i) ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 for any excess weight more than 16,000 pounds and less than 18,001 pounds;
- (j) ~~\$600~~ \$1,200 for any excess weight more than 18,000 pounds and less than 20,001 pounds;
- (k) ~~\$1,000~~ \$2,000 for any excess weight more than 20,000 pounds and less than 25,001 pounds;
- (l) ~~\$2,000~~ \$4,000 for any excess weight more than 25,000 pounds.

(2) If a motor vehicle is equipped with a retractable axle that is not fully extended and carrying its proportionate share of the load while the motor vehicle is operated upon the highways of this state, the weight penalties in subsection (1) apply to all weight over the legal maximum allowed by the fixed axles regardless of whether the axle is extended at the time of weighing. In addition to the penalties in subsection (1), the owner or operator shall be fined ~~\$100~~ \$200 for failure to have the retractable axle fully extended while the gross weight of the vehicle exceeds the legal maximum allowed by the fixed axles.

(3) A complaint filed and a summons or notice to appear issued pertaining to a violation of the gross weight regulations in 61-10-101 through 61-10-104 and 61-10-106 through 61-10-110 must specify the amount of the excess weight that the defendant is alleged to have had upon the vehicle or combination of

1 vehicles.

2 (4) It is a misdemeanor, punishable as provided in 46-18-212, for a person, firm, or corporation to
3 violate any of the provisions of 61-10-123, 61-10-141, or 61-10-142."

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5 **Section 6.** Section 61-10-146, MCA, is amended to read: **Fees in this section have been doubled**

6 **"61-10-146. Special permits -- misrepresentations and violations as misdemeanor.** (1) A person
7 who knowingly and willfully misrepresents the size or weight of a vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, object,
8 or other thing in obtaining a special permit or who does not follow the requirements and conditions of the
9 special permit or who operates a vehicle, combination of vehicles, load, object, or other thing the size or weight
10 of which requires a special permit without first obtaining a special permit is guilty of a misdemeanor.

11 (2) A person, firm, or corporation convicted of:

12 (a) operating a vehicle or combination of vehicles with weight upon a wheel, axle, or group of axles
13 greater than the maximum authorized by a special permit or of operating without a special permit a vehicle or
14 combination of vehicles the weight of which requires a special permit shall, in addition to the other penalties
15 provided by law for the offense, be punished by a fine in the amount provided in 61-10-145(1); or

16 (b) violating any provision of 61-10-124(3) or any restriction on the special permits issued by the
17 department under 61-10-124(3) shall be punished by a fine of not less than ~~\$500~~ \$1,000 or more than ~~\$1,000~~
18 \$2,000, and all special permits issued for the operation of the combination in violation must be confiscated. The
19 combination must be separated into combinations of legal length before the units may proceed."

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21 **Section 7.** Section 61-10-201, MCA, is amended to read:

22 **"61-10-201. Weight fees on motortrucks, truck tractors, and buses.** In addition to other fees for
23 the licensing of vehicles, there must be paid and collected annually for each truck, truck tractor, and bus, based
24 upon the manufacturer's rated capacity for trucks with a capacity of 1 ton or less and upon the maximum gross
25 loaded weight and the maximum gross weight of any towed unit of each truck and truck tractor as set by the
26 licensee in the licensee's application, the following fees: **Fees in this section have been doubled**

Manufacturer's rated capacity up to 1/2 ton

\$ ~~14.00~~ 7.00

Manufacturer's rated capacity of 3/4 ton	<u>25.00</u> 12.50
Manufacturer's rated capacity of 1 ton	<u>35.00</u> 17.50
Up to 16,000 lbs	<u>42.00</u> 21.00
16,001 through 18,000 lbs	<u>56.00</u> 28.00
18,001 through 20,000 lbs	<u>75.00</u> 37.50
20,001 through 22,000 lbs	<u>94.00</u> 47.00
22,001 through 24,000 lbs	<u>140.00</u> 70.00
24,001 through 26,000 lbs	<u>180.00</u> 90.00
26,001 through 28,000 lbs	<u>220.00</u> 110.00
28,001 through 30,000 lbs	<u>260.00</u> 130.00
30,001 through 32,000 lbs	<u>300.00</u> 150.00
32,001 through 34,000 lbs	<u>340.00</u> 170.00
34,001 through 36,000 lbs	<u>380.00</u> 190.00
36,001 through 38,000 lbs	<u>430.00</u> 215.00
38,001 through 40,000 lbs	<u>470.00</u> 235.00
40,001 through 42,000 lbs	<u>510.00</u> 255.00
42,001 through 44,000 lbs	<u>550.00</u> 275.00
44,001 through 46,000 lbs	<u>600.00</u> 300.00
46,001 through 48,000 lbs	<u>640.00</u> 320.00
48,001 through 50,000 lbs	<u>680.00</u> 340.00
50,001 through 52,000 lbs	<u>720.00</u> 360.00
52,001 through 54,000 lbs	<u>760.00</u> 380.00
54,001 through 56,000 lbs	<u>800.00</u> 400.00
56,001 through 58,000 lbs	<u>840.00</u> 420.00
58,001 through 60,000 lbs	<u>880.00</u> 440.00
60,001 through 62,000 lbs	<u>920.00</u> 460.00
62,001 through 64,000 lbs	<u>965.00</u> 482.50

64,001 through 66,000 lbs	<u>1,005.00</u> 502.50
66,001 through 68,000 lbs	<u>1,045.00</u> 522.50
68,001 through 70,000 lbs	<u>1,091.50</u> 545.75
70,001 through 72,000 lbs	<u>1,133.00</u> 566.50
72,001 through 74,000 lbs	<u>1,215.00</u> 607.50
74,001 through 76,000 lbs	<u>1,310.00</u> 655.00
76,001 through 78,000 lbs	<u>1,390.00</u> 695.00
78,001 through 80,000 lbs	<u>1,500.00</u> 750.00

Over 80,000 lbs. and within the weight limits

specified in 61-10-101 through 61-10-104

and 61-10-106 through 61-10-110

1,500.00 ~~750.00~~

plus an additional \$46.00 ~~\$92.00~~ for each

ton or fraction of a ton in excess of 80,000

lbs. plus an additional \$100.00 ~~\$200.00~~ to

exceed the 80,000 lbs. federal gross

weight limit.

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Section 8. Section 61-10-211, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-10-211. Fees on motortrucks, truck tractors, trailers, and semitrailers from other states. (1)

In lieu of other fees for the licensing of vehicles, there must be collected a fee for each motortruck and truck

tractor already licensed for the year in another jurisdiction and operated upon an itinerant basis in this state.

The fee provided in subsection (2) must be collected upon each entrance of the vehicle into the state and must

be based upon the number of miles to be traveled in the state and the registered gross vehicle weight of the

motortruck or truck tractor as shown in the application of the nonresident operator.

(2) The fee for each trip in Montana is: **Fees in this section have been doubled**

0-200 miles

201-400 miles

over 400 miles

Up to 46,000 lbs.	\$10 <u>\$20</u>	\$15 <u>\$30</u>	\$20 <u>\$40</u>
46,001 through 80,000 lbs.	20 <u>40</u>	30 <u>60</u>	40 <u>80</u>
Over 80,001 lbs.	50 <u>100</u>	65 <u>130</u>	80 <u>160</u>
Triple combination	60 <u>120</u>	80 <u>160</u>	100 <u>200</u>

(3) The fees do not apply to any trailer the principal use of which is as temporary or permanent living quarters, or to any vehicle of a carnival that is under contract with a state, county, or district fair association.

(4) A fee must be collected for each nonresident, unlicensed or unregistered trailer or semitrailer entering Montana. The fee for each trip in Montana is:

- (a) ~~\$10~~ \$20 for each trip of 200 miles or less;
- (b) ~~\$15~~ \$30 for each trip of over 200 miles to 400 miles; and
- (c) ~~\$20~~ \$40 for each trip of over 400 miles."

Section 9. Section 61-10-232, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-10-232. Violation -- penalty. Any owner or operator of a motortruck, truck tractor, trailer, semitrailer, bus, or automobile who violates any provision of this part is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than ~~\$300~~ \$600 or by a sentence of not more than 60 days in the county jail or both."

Fees in this section have been doubled

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