



ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4167 (as passed by the House) Sponsor: Representative Ben Frederick

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Michigan Vehicle Code to establish a maximum allowable length of 75 feet for truck and trailer combinations designed and used to transport agricultural drainage tubing.

Section 719 of the Code prohibits the operation on a Michigan highway of vehicles and vehicle combinations that exceed prescribed "normal length maximums". A person who violates Section 719 is responsible for a civil infraction. (As a rule, the penalty for a civil infraction under the Code is a maximum fine of \$100.)

For a truck and semitrailer or trailer, the normal length maximum is 59 feet. The bill would make an exception to this provision for truck and trailer combinations designed and used to transport agricultural drainage tubing. Specifically, the normal length maximum for truck and trailer combinations designed and used to transport agricultural drainage tubing would be 75 feet.

The bill would take effect 90 days after it was enacted.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the State and a minimal fiscal impact on local government. The provisions of the bill could reduce the number of civil infractions for violations of the normal length maximum, although there is no way to know if that would be the case. A reduction in civil infraction revenue would reduce revenue dedicated to public libraries. Conversely, an increase in civil infraction revenue would increase revenue dedicated to public libraries.

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