

ANY OTHER ACTION THAT THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS CONSIDER NECESSARY, TO PROTECT A PERSON'S RIGHT TO FARM OR ENGAGE IN AGRICULTURAL OR FORESTRY OPERATIONS.

B. BEFORE ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE OR REGULATION OR TAKING OTHER ACTION UNDER SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AND PROVIDE REASONABLE NOTICE OF THE HEARING.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

## CHAPTER 404

(Senate Bill 580)

AN ACT concerning

### Vehicle Laws - Forest Products - Axle Load Limit Tolerance

FOR the purpose of increasing the axle load limit tolerance for certain vehicles during certain times when transporting forest products; altering a certain weight to conform with other provisions of law; and generally relating to axle load limit tolerances for forest products.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Transportation

Section 24-109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

### Article - Transportation

24-109.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated:

(2) "Single axle weight" means the total weight transmitted by all wheels whose centers may be included between 2 parallel transverse vertical planes 40 inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle.

(3) "Tandem axle weight" means the total weight transmitted to the road by 2 or more consecutive axles whose centers may be included between parallel vertical planes spaced more than 40 inches apart but not more than 96 inches apart extending across the full width of the vehicle.