objectives of the program have been substantially achieved or are in the process of being achieved.

(4) That programs involving interdistrict cooperation and/or the coordination with federal funding shall receive priority for state funding.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 5. The superintendent of public instruction shall have the duty to assist school districts who service urban, rural, racial, and disadvantaged populations in the formulation of total school programs that meet the needs of these populations, including the development of programs to be financed through urban, rural, racial, and disadvantaged funds.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 6. Sections 1 through 5 of this 1974 act are hereby added to chapter 223, Laws of 1969 ex. sess. and to chapter 28A.41 RCW.

**NEW SECTION.** Sec. 7. If any provision of this 1974 act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 86

[House Bill No. 1255]

**GARBAGE TRUCKS—EXCESS WEIGHT TOLERANCE**

An act relating to motor vehicles; and amending section 46.44.040, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 150, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.44.040.

This act enacts by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 46.44.040, chapter 12, Laws of 1961 as last amended by section 1, chapter 150, Laws of 1973 1st ex. sess. and RCW 46.44.040 are each amended to read as follows:

(1) Except as provided in RCW 46.44.047 and 46.44.095 it is unlawful to operate any vehicle upon the public highways with a gross weight including load upon any one axle thereof in excess of eighteen thousand pounds; provided, That a tolerance of two thousand pounds may be allowed on the rear axle of a two axle garbage truck and an additional two thousand pounds tolerance may be purchased ((under the provisions of RCW 46.44.095)) for a compactor type two axle garbage truck for an amount not to exceed thirty dollars per thousand. The axle weight tolerance allowed to a garbage truck herein shall not be
Construed to authorize a vehicle gross weight in excess of the weight for which the vehicle is licensed pursuant to chapter 46.16 RCW:

Provided further, that this tolerance shall not be valid or permitted on any part of the federal interstate highway system where the maximum single axle load shall not exceed eighteen thousand pounds.

It is unlawful to operate any one axle semitrailer upon the public highways with a gross weight including load upon such one axle in excess of eighteen thousand pounds.

It is unlawful to operate any truck or truck tractor upon the public highways of this state supported upon two axles with a gross weight including load in excess of thirty-two thousand pounds.

It is unlawful to operate any semitrailer or pole trailer upon the public highway supported upon two axles with a gross weight including load in excess of thirty-two thousand pounds unless such axles are not less than one hundred and two inches apart, in which case, notwithstanding the provisions of RCW 46.44.045, the allowable gross weight including load shall be thirty-six thousand pounds.

It is unlawful to operate any two axle trailer upon the public highways with a gross weight, including load, in excess of thirty-six thousand pounds.

Except as provided in RCW 46.44.095 it is unlawful to operate any vehicle upon the public highways supported upon three axles or more with a gross weight including load in excess of forty thousand pounds.

(2) The maximum axle and gross weight specified in subsection (1) above are subject to the braking requirements set up for the service brakes upon any motor vehicle or combination of vehicles as provided by law.

(3) It is unlawful to operate any vehicle upon the public highways equipped with two axles spaced less than seven feet apart, unless the two axles are so constructed and mounted in such a manner to provide oscillation between the two axles and that either one of the two axles will not at any one time carry more than the maximum gross weight allowed for one axle or two axles specified in subsection (1) above.

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