

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0194

Regulation of commercial vehicle noise.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Olsen, Cooper, Harshman,
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and Senator(s) Larson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to cities, towns and counties; authorizing
2 local governing bodies to regulate the noise created by
3 engine brakes on commercial vehicles as specified; and
4 providing for an effective date.

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6 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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8 **Section 1.** W.S. 15-1-103(a) by creating a new
9 paragraph (1) and 18-3-504(a) by creating a new paragraph
10 (x) are amended to read:

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12 **15-1-103. General powers of governing bodies.**

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14 (a) The governing bodies of all cities and towns may:

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1 (1) Adopt ordinances to regulate the amount of
2 noise a commercial vehicle may emit from the use of an
3 unmuffled engine brake within the corporate limits of the
4 city, including establishing requirements with respect to
5 the operation of mufflers or other effective noise
6 suppressing systems to prevent excessive or unusual noise
7 from engine brakes. Before enforcement of a resolution
8 adopted pursuant to this paragraph restricting the use of
9 an unmuffled engine brake, the city or town shall post
10 signs not less than one (1) mile from locations where the
11 resolution will be enforced warning operators of the
12 restriction. If necessary to meet the requirements of this
13 paragraph a municipality is authorized to post such signs
14 outside of the boundaries of the municipality.

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16 **18-3-504. Powers and duties generally.**

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18 (a) Each board of county commissioners may:

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20 (x) Adopt resolutions to regulate the amount of
21 noise a commercial vehicle may emit from the use of an
22 unmuffled engine brake within unincorporated areas of the
23 county, including establishing requirements with respect to
24 the operation of mufflers or other effective noise

1 suppressing systems to prevent excessive or unusual noise
2 from engine brakes. Before enforcement of a resolution
3 adopted under this paragraph restricting the use of an
4 unmuffled engine brake, the county shall post signs not
5 less than one (1) mile from locations where the resolution
6 will be enforced warning operators of the restriction. If
7 necessary to meet the requirements of this paragraph a
8 county is authorized to post such signs outside of the
9 boundaries of the county.

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11 **Section 2.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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