

RESOLUTION #2023-55
TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, HUNTERDON COUNTY

**SUPPORTING ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 975 AND SENATE BILL NO. 2643 SPONSORED
BY ASSEMBLY MINORITY LEADER JOHN DIMAIO AND SENATOR DOUG
STEINHARDT, REQUIRING COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES TO BE EQUIPPED
WITH CERTAIN GLOBAL POSITIONING SYSTEMS.**

Requiring Certain Commercial Motor Vehicles to be Equipped with Global Positioning Systems

WHEREAS, bipartisan Assembly Bill No. 975 sponsored by Assemblyman John DiMaio and Assemblyman Daniel Benson would require a commercial motor vehicle operating upon the public highways of this State, to be equipped with a global positioning system navigation program that provides information about upcoming highway infrastructure with low vertical clearance and weight restrictions and dynamic route directions that account for commercial motor vehicle restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the legislation defines a “commercial motor vehicle” as a select group of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds, or that display a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds; and

WHEREAS, commercial motor vehicles have restricted routes of travel that are not readily displayed on civilian navigation systems that are sometimes used by operators of commercial motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, because of limited information on civilian navigation systems, commercial motor vehicle operators often unintentionally end up on restricted weight roadways or are stopped along their route by a restricted weight bridge; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon County has sustained damages to roadways and bridges as a result of overweight trucks traveling on them; and

WHEREAS, unless identified by a camera, or law enforcement personnel, Hunterdon County taxpayers are on the hook for the cost of repairs to infrastructure damaged by large trucks; and

WHEREAS, this legislation is also important given the number of historic bridges, culverts, and downtowns located throughout Hunterdon County that cannot accommodate large commercial vehicles and cause considerable disruption to local traffic flow; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Township Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Hunterdon, hereby supports Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to the 15th, 16th, and 23rd Legislative Districts; and

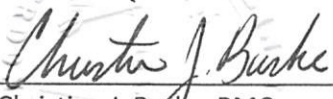
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Township Clerk shall send a copy of this resolution to all 26 Hunterdon County municipalities, with a request that they adopt similar resolutions in support of Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643.

ADOPTED: 10/12/2023



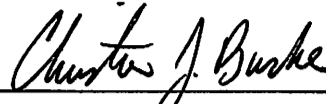
Philip Koury, Mayor
Township Committee

Attest and Affix Seal:

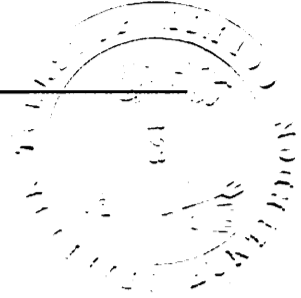


Christine J. Burke, RMC
Municipal Clerk

I, Christine J. Burke, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Franklin, County of Hunterdon, do hereby certify this to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee at a meeting held on October 12, 2023.



Christine Burke RMC
Municipal Clerk





The Board of County Commissioners
County of Hunterdon
State of New Jersey

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Zachary T. Rich, Director
Jeff Kuhl, Deputy Director

Susan J. Soloway, Commissioner
Shaun C. Van Doren, Commissioner
John E. Lanza, Commissioner

September 28, 2023

Dear Mayor:

At the September 19, 2023, Hunterdon County Board of Commissioners meeting, I led an effort to pass a resolution in support of bipartisan Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643, that would require a commercial motor vehicle operating upon the public highways of this State, to be equipped with a commercial grade navigation system.

Commercial grade navigation systems provide information about upcoming highway infrastructure with low vertical clearance and weight restrictions and dynamic route directions that account for commercial motor vehicle restrictions. This is important, because commercial motor vehicles have restricted routes of travel that are not readily displayed on civilian navigation systems that are sometimes used by operators of commercial motor vehicles.

Hunterdon County has sustained damages to roadways and bridges because of overweight trucks traveling on them. In addition, unless identified by a camera, or law enforcement personnel, Hunterdon County taxpayers are on the hook for the cost of repairs to infrastructure damaged by large trucks.

Furthermore, in speaking with many local officials throughout the County, I am aware of the many challenges posed to our historic downtowns and rural local roads when trucks accidentally or intentionally deviate from their prescribed route.

I am asking that your governing body adopt a similar resolution to the one that was recently passed by the Commissioner Board and to send that resolution to your state representatives in either the 15th, 16th, or 23rd Legislative Districts.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Shaun C. Van Doren
Commissioner

Enclosure

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
COUNTY OF HUNTERDON**

**RESOLUTION
2023-795**

Supporting Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643 sponsored by Assembly Minority Leader John DiMaio and Senator Doug Steinhardt, requiring commercial motor vehicles to be equipped with certain global positioning systems.

Requiring Certain Commercial Motor Vehicles to be Equipped with Global Positioning Systems

WHEREAS, bipartisan Assembly Bill No. 975 sponsored by Assemblyman John DiMaio and Assemblyman Daniel Benson would require a commercial motor vehicle operating upon the public highways of this State, to be equipped with a global positioning system navigation program that provides information about upcoming highway infrastructure with low vertical clearance and weight restrictions and dynamic route directions that account for commercial motor vehicle restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the legislation defines a "commercial motor vehicle" as a select group of vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds, or that display a gross vehicle weight rating of 26,001 or more pounds; and

WHEREAS, commercial motor vehicles have restricted routes of travel that are not readily displayed on civilian navigation systems that are sometimes used by operators of commercial motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, because of limited information on civilian navigation systems, commercial motor vehicle operators often unintentionally end up on restricted weight roadways or are stopped along their route by a restricted weight bridge; and

WHEREAS, Hunterdon County has sustained damages to roadways and bridges as a result of overweight trucks traveling on them; and

WHEREAS, unless identified by a camera, or law enforcement personnel, Hunterdon County taxpayers are on the hook for the cost of repairs to infrastructure damaged by large trucks; and

WHEREAS, this legislation is also important given the number of historic bridges, culverts, and downtowns located throughout Hunterdon County that cannot accommodate large commercial vehicles and cause considerable disruption to local traffic flow; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hunterdon County Board of County Commissioners does hereby support Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be sent to members of the 15th, 16th, and 23rd Legislative Districts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners shall send a copy of this resolution to all 26 Hunterdon County municipalities, with a request that they adopt similar resolutions in support of Assembly Bill No. 975 and Senate Bill No. 2643.

ROLL CALL	MOVED	SECONDED	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Zachary T. Rich, Director						X
Jeff Kuhl, Deputy Director			X			
John E. Lanza, Commissioner		X	X			
Susan J. Soloway, Commissioner			X			
Shaun C. Van Doren, Commissioner	X		X			

ADOPTED September 19, 2023


Andrew C. Russano, CLERK