

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 859**

**SENATE BILL NO. 3871**

**By Kyle, Finney**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 3828

By Ty Cobb, Mike Turner

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-203, relative to the maximum weight per axle or group of axles allowed on the public highways.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-203(1)(C), is amended by inserting the words "not more than" after the first comma and before the language "forty inches (40") apart".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-203(2), is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

"Tandem axle group" means two (2) or more axles spaced more than forty inches (40") and not more than ninety-six inches (96") apart from center to center having at least one (1) common point of weight suspension.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-203(3), is amended by deleting all language after the first semicolon beginning with the words "provided, that" and ending with the words "by application of the following formula" and substituting instead the following language:

provided, that when operating over or on the interstate system of this state the total gross weight shall not exceed the lesser of eighty thousand pounds (80,000 lbs.) or the weight produced by application of the following formula:

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: April 15, 2010**



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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



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KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 30th day of April 2010



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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR