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To amend title 23, United States Code, to exempt covered heavy-duty tow and recovery vehicles from certain weight limitations, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JULY 28, 2015

Mr. FLEISCHMANN (for himself and Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

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A BILL

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the ''Fair Action for Interstate Recovery Vehicles on Truck Operating Weights Act'' or the ''FAIR TOW Act''.

SEC. 2. VEHICLE WEIGHT LIMITATIONS—INTERSTATE SYSTEM.

Section 127 of title 23, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(m) COVERED HEAVY-DUTY TOW AND RECOVERY VEHICLES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The vehicle weight limitations set forth in this section do not apply to a covered heavy-duty tow and recovery vehicle.

"(2) COVERED HEAVY-DUTY TOW AND RECOVERY VEHICLE DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term 'covered heavy-duty tow and recovery vehicle' means a vehicle that—

"(A) is transporting a disabled vehicle from the place where the vehicle became disabled to the nearest appropriate repair facility; and

"(B) has a gross vehicle weight that is equal to or exceeds the gross vehicle weight of the disabled vehicle being transported.".

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