

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1706

Introduced by Assembly Member Eng

February 15, 2012

An act to amend Section 660 of the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1706, as introduced, Eng. Vehicles: unladen weight.

Existing law, for purposes of the Vehicle Code, specifies that the “unladen weight” of a vehicle is the weight equipped and ready for operation on the road including the body, fenders, oil in motor, radiator full of water, with 5 gallons of gasoline or equivalent weight of other motor fuel, equipment required by law, except as provided, and any special cabinets, boxes, or body parts permanently attached to the vehicle, and any machinery, equipment, or attachment that is attendant to the efficient operation of the body or vehicle.

This bill would additionally include batteries among those items included as the basis for determining the unladen weight of a vehicle.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 660 of the Vehicle Code is amended to
2 read:
3 660. The “unladen weight” of a vehicle is the weight equipped
4 and ready for operation on the road including the body, fenders,
5 oil in motor, *batteries*, radiator full of water, with five gallons of
6 gasoline or equivalent weight of other motor fuel; ~~also~~ equipment

1 required by law, and unless exempted under Section 661, any
2 special cabinets, boxes, or body parts permanently attached to the
3 vehicle, and any machinery, equipment, or attachment ~~which~~ *that*
4 is attendant to the efficient operation of the body or vehicle.
5 Unladen weight shall not include any load or any machinery or
6 mechanical apparatus, such as, but not limited to, wood saws,
7 well-drilling machines, spray apparatus, tow truck cranes, and
8 grinding equipment. The unladen weight of a vehicle shall have
9 no application in determining any fee under this code or the
10 Revenue and Taxation Code other than Section 9400.

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