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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2013–14 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 64

Introduced by Assembly Members Donnelly and Linder

January 7, 2013

An act to add Section 35400.6 to the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 64, as amended, Donnelly. Vehicles: fifth-wheel travel trailers.

(1) Existing law prohibits a vehicle from exceeding 40 feet in length. Existing law exempts from this prohibition specified types of vehicles, including, but not limited to, an articulated bus or articulated trolley coach that does not exceed a length of 60 feet, and a motortruck used solely as a cotton module mover that does not exceed 48 feet in length. A violation of the Vehicle Code is a crime.

This bill would additionally exempt from this prohibition a 5th-wheel travel trailer that does not exceed 48 feet in length from the foremost point of the trailer to the rear extremity of the trailer, and that does not exceed 40 feet in length from the kingpin to the ~~centerline of the~~ rearmost axle. The bill would require a manufacturer of a 5th-wheel travel trailer that meets this exemption to include in the delivery

documents provided to a dealer the overall length of the 5th-wheel travel trailer. The bill would permit a dealer to reject acceptance of the 5th-wheel travel trailer if this documentation is not provided. By creating a new crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

(2) The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 35400.6 is added to the Vehicle Code,
2 to read:

3 35400.6. (a) Subdivision (a) of Section 35400 does not apply
4 to a fifth-wheel travel trailer that does not exceed 48 feet in length
5 from the foremost point of the trailer to the rear extremity of the
6 trailer, and that does not exceed 40 feet in length from the kingpin
7 to the ~~centerline of the~~ rearmost axle.

8 (b) A manufacturer of a fifth-wheel travel trailer described by
9 subdivision (a) shall include in the delivery documents provided
10 to a dealer the overall length of the fifth-wheel travel trailer. The
11 dealer may reject acceptance of the fifth-wheel travel trailer if this
12 documentation is not provided.

13 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
14 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
15 the only costs that may be incurred by a local agency or school
16 district will be incurred because this act creates a new crime or
17 infraction, eliminates a crime or infraction, or changes the penalty
18 for a crime or infraction, within the meaning of Section 17556 of
19 the Government Code, or changes the definition of a crime within
20 the meaning of Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California
21 Constitution.

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