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Governor Culver Lifts Harvest Weight Limit

Proclamation temporarily allows trucks hauling harvests heavier weights

DES MOINES – Governor Chet Culver today signed a proclamation that temporarily lifts the weight limits of trucks that are hauling harvest goods. The temporary lift is aimed specifically at harvests of corn, soybeans, hay, straw and stover by 10 percent per axle without requiring the hauler to acquire a permit.

The proclamation directs the Iowa Department of Transportation to monitor the temporary lift. The proclamation includes all Iowa roads, but does not include the federal interstate system. The weight exemption is good for 60 days, beginning today.

In addition, Culver proclaimed September Corn Month, citing what the crop contributes to the state's bottom line.

"Not only has corn been an historically important part of Iowa, but it's also a critical component to the state's economy," Culver said. "Last year, farmer's exported about \$9 billion of corn."

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