AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 54, Chapter 7 and Title 55, relative to maximum gross weight limits on county roads.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-7-205(a)(8), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(B)(A) The commissioner has the authority to reduce the maximum gross weight of freight motor vehicles operating over lateral highways and secondary roads where, through weakness of structure in either the surface of or the bridges over the lateral highways or secondary roads, the maximum loads provided by law, in the opinion of the commissioner, injure or damage the roads or bridges.

(B) The county legislative body shall have the same authority as to county roads; provided, however, that any proposed reduction below the weight limits set by the commissioner pursuant to this section shall require a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the county legislative body and shall be based upon the same criteria as used by the commissioner.

(C) To the extent there is a conflict between this subdivision (a)(8) and any other general law or a private act, this subdivision (a)(8) shall govern.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.
SENATE BILL NO. 412

PASSED: April 4, 2016

Ron Ramsey
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

Beth Harwell
BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of April 2016

Bill Haslam, GOVERNOR