

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 7**  
**OFFERED BY MR. DEFAZIO OF OREGON**

In section 1404 of the bill, strike subsection (a) and insert the following:

1       (a) **WEIGHT LIMITATIONS.**—Section 127(a) is  
2 amended by adding at the end the following:

3           “(13) **PILOT PROGRAM.**—

4                   “(A) **IN GENERAL.**—The Secretary may  
5 carry out a pilot program under which the Sec-  
6 retary may authorize up to ~~2~~<sup>3</sup> States to allow,  
7 by special permit, the operation of vehicles with  
8 a gross vehicle weight of up to 126,000 pounds  
9 on segments on the Interstate System in the  
10 State.

11                   “(B) **REQUIREMENTS.**—A State authorized  
12 under the pilot program under subparagraph  
13 (A) shall—

14                           “(i) identify and submit to the Sec-  
15 retary for approval the segments on the  
16 Interstate System to be subject to the pro-  
17 gram and the configurations of vehicles to  
18 be allowed to operate under a special per-  
19 mit;

(ii) allow vehicles  
subject to the  
program to operate  
on not more  
than 3  
segments,  
which may be  
contiguous,  
of up to  
25 miles  
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~~“(ii) ensure that the aggregate length  
of the segments subject to the program  
does not exceed 25 miles;~~

“(iii) require the loads of vehicles op-  
erating under a special permit to conform  
to such single axle, tandem axle, tridem  
axle, and bridge formula limits applicable  
in the State; and

“(iv) establish and collect a fee for ve-  
hicles operating under a special permit.

“(C) PROHIBITIONS.—The Secretary may  
prohibit the operation of a vehicle under a spe-  
cial permit if the Secretary determines that the  
operation poses an unreasonable safety risk  
based on an analysis of engineering data, safety  
data, or other applicable data.

“(D) DURATION.—The Secretary may au-  
thorize a State under the pilot program under  
subparagraph (A) for a period not to exceed 4  
years.”.

