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DiFRANCESCO SIGNS LEGISLATION CUTTING COST FOR CONSTRUCTION COMPANIES

Acting Governor Donald T. DiFrancesco signed legislation today that exempts vehicles carrying construction materials from certain regulatory procedures, action designed to cut costs and red tape for companies doing business in New Jersey.

"This bill revises the procedures for weighing vehicles used to transport construction materials such as sand, gravel, clay and clean fill. These vehicles are now exempt from the current requirement that they be weighed prior to receiving their load thus cutting their costs," the acting Governor told members of the Concrete and Aggregate Association today at their Awards Dinner.

Vehicles used in the transportation of construction materials currently must be weighed prior to receiving their load. After they receive their materials, the vehicles must be weighed again. Under A-2677, the pre-load weight may now be used if the vehicle is transporting aggregate construction materials in order to save the cost of the first weighing.

"This legislation is a big step forward for companies in the aggregates industry, and one more example of how we are incentives to keep and attract business to the garden state by cutting red tape," said DiFrancesco.

A-2276 was sponsored by Senator John Bennett (R-Monmouth) and Assemblyman Samuel Thompson (R-Middlesex/Monmouth).

The acting Governor also highlighted his commitment to regulatory reform for the transportation industry by streamlining the permit process, reducing paperwork and adjusting regulations.

"I also sponsored the renewal of the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF) which focuses on reducing congestion, restoring the TTF's fiscal integrity, and designing a 21st century transportation policy. I have supported the legislation builders need to make their jobs easier.

"In turn, your help in replacing New Jersey's bridges and improving New Jersey's roads will make it safer and easier for residents to get where they need to go. Most important, it will help them feel better about the place they call home," said the acting Governor.