

LEGISLATIVE BILL 368

Approved by the Governor May 3, 1973

Introduced by Euis, 39

AN ACT to amend section 39-773.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, relating to regulations governing the use of public roads; to change the provisions relating to trailer brakes as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 39-773.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, be amended to read as follows:

39-773.01. (1) All commercial trailers with a carrying capacity of more than ten thousand pounds and semitrailers shall be equipped on each wheel with brakes that can be operated from the driving position of the towing vehicle.

(2) Travel trailers and recreational trailers having a gross loaded weight of two thousand pounds or more shall be equipped with brakes on each wheel, and the brakes shall be operable from the driving position of the towing vehicle. Such trailers shall also be equipped with a breakaway, surge, or impulse switch on the trailer so that the trailer brakes are activated should the trailer become disengaged from the towing vehicle.

~~(3) Each trailer attached to a towing vehicle by a tail hitch with a gross loaded weight of three thousand pounds or more shall be equipped with a breakaway, surge or impulse switch on the trailer so that the trailer brakes are activated should the trailer become disengaged from the towing vehicle.~~

~~(4) (3)~~ Each trailer, as defined in subsections subsection (2) and (3) of this section, with a gross loaded weight of three thousand pounds or more shall be equipped with two safety chains, which shall have a breaking load strength of three thousand pounds each. Such a trailer shall be attached to the towing vehicle so that the tongue of the trailer will not touch the roadway should the trailer become disengaged from the towing vehicle.

The provisions of subsections (2), and (3) ~~and~~ (4) of this section shall not apply to travel trailers,

recreational trailers, or trailers attached to a towing vehicle if such trailers are now licensed in the State of Nebraska.

Sec. 2. That original section 39-773.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1972, is repealed.