AN ACT concerning the uniform act regulating traffic; relating to gross
weight limits of certain vehicles, special permits; amending K.S.A.
2016 Supp. 8-1908 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

New Section 1. (a) The secretary of transportation may issue an
annual special vehicle operating permit pursuant to the provisions of
K.S.A. 8-1911, and amendments thereto, for a truck-tractor semitrailer
combination vehicle and a truck-tractor semitrailer, trailer combination
vehicle with a gross vehicle weight of more than 85,500 pounds but not
more than 90,000 pounds transporting divisible loads on six or more axles.

(b) In addition to the conditions the secretary may establish under
K.S.A. 8-1911, and amendments thereto, such vehicle combinations shall
also be subject to the following requirements:

(1) The special vehicle combination may not be operated on the
interstate system;

(2) the special vehicle combination must be registered at the
maximum weight category in accordance with K.S.A. 8-143, and
amendments thereto;

(3) the special vehicle combination must comply with the provisions
of K.S.A. 8-1908 and 8-1909, and amendments thereto, except as
otherwise provided by this section; and

(4) The secretary shall charge and collect a fee of $200 for the annual
permit provided in this section. No single trip permits shall be issued.

(c) No special vehicle combination issued a permit under this section
shall be moved or operated on any highway when the gross weight on two
or more consecutive axles exceeds the limitations in the following table:

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Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 8-1908 is hereby amended to read as follows: 8-1908. (a) The gross weight upon any wheel of a vehicle shall not exceed 10,000 pounds.

(b) The gross weight upon any one axle, including any one axle of a group of axles, of a vehicle shall not exceed 20,000 pounds.

(c) Any axle located within seven feet of any adjacent axle shall, when the wheels of such axle are in contact with the road surface, carry its proportionate part of the load permitted on such axles. An axle shall not be used to determine the lawful axle weight under this section or the gross weight under K.S.A. 8-1909, and amendments thereto, when the wheels of such axle are not in contact with the road surface.

(d) As used in this section:

(1) "Gross weight on any one axle" means the total load on all wheels whose centers are included within two parallel transverse vertical planes not more than 40 inches apart.

(2) "Tandem axles" means two or more consecutive axles, arranged in tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or
individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced not less than 40 inches and not more than 96 inches apart.

(3) "Triple axles" means three or more consecutive axles, arranged in tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced more than 96 inches and not more than 132 inches apart.

(4) "Quad axles" means four or more consecutive axles, arranged in tandem and articulated from a common attachment to the vehicle or individually attached to the vehicle, with such axles spaced more than 120 inches and not more than 150 inches apart.

(e) The gross weight on tandem axles shall not exceed 34,000 pounds.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 2016 Supp. 8-1908 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.