SENATE BILL 1038

By: **Senator Salling** Introduced and read first time: March 4, 2019 Assigned to: Rules

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 State Highway Administration – Overweight Vehicle Permits

- FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Highway Administration to issue permits
 allowing certain overweight vehicles to operate on certain highways designated by
 the Administration; establishing certain terms for a permit; establishing a certain
 annual fee for the permit; defining a certain term; and generally relating to State
 Highway Administration permits for overweight vehicles.
- 8 BY adding to
- 9 Article Transportation
- 10 Section 24–112.2
- 11 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 12 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)
- SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
- 14 That the Daws of Maryland feat as follows.
- 15 Article Transportation
- 16 **24–112.2.**

17 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "HEAVY WEIGHT CORRIDOR" MEANS A MOTOR 18 VEHICLE ROUTE COMPRISING ONE OR MORE HIGHWAYS THAT:

19(1)HAVE A LOAD RATING OF AT LEAST 40 TONS (80,000 POUNDS) BUT20NOT EXCEEDING 50 TONS (100,000 POUNDS); AND

21 (2) ARE SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED BY THE STATE HIGHWAY 22 ADMINISTRATION.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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1 (B) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THIS TITLE, THE STATE 2 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION MAY ISSUE A PERMIT AUTHORIZING AN OVERWEIGHT 3 VEHICLE THAT HAS AT LEAST SIX AXLES TO USE A HEAVY WEIGHT CORRIDOR.

- 4 (C) A PERMIT ISSUED UNDER THIS SECTION:
- 5 (1) AUTHORIZES THE PERMITTED VEHICLE TO CARRY UP TO 50 TONS 6 (100,000 POUNDS);
- 7 (2) SHALL BE VALID FOR A 12-MONTH PERIOD FROM THE DATE OF 8 ISSUANCE;
- 9 (3) MAY BE RENEWED BY THE PERMIT HOLDER ON EXPIRATION;

10 (4) AUTHORIZES THE PERMIT HOLDER TO OPERATE THE 11 OVERWEIGHT VEHICLE ON A HEAVY WEIGHT CORRIDOR AT ALL TIMES OF THE DAY, 12 WITHOUT RESTRICTION; AND

13 (5) HAS AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$100.

14 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 15 October 1, 2019.