

## 1 HOUSE BILL NO. 476

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 5 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING COMMERCIAL TOW TRUCK  
 6 CLASSIFICATION STANDARDS; INCREASING MINIMUM BOOM AND MANUFACTURER'S GROSS  
 7 VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING REQUIREMENTS; ALLOWING A TOW TRUCK OPERATOR TO CONTINUE  
 8 PARTICIPATING WITH EXISTING CLASSIFIED EQUIPMENT UNTIL EQUIPMENT IS UPGRADED OR  
 9 REPLACED; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-905, MCA."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:12  
13 **Section 1.** Section 61-8-905, MCA, is amended to read:14 **"61-8-905. Classification standards.** (1) Commercial tow trucks are divided into the following five  
15 classes based on the manufacturer's rating:16 (a) Class A tow truck equipment must have a minimum manufacturer's boom or combined boom  
17 rating of ~~4-8~~ tons and must be mounted on a straight truck chassis with DUAL REAR WHEELS AND a minimum  
18 manufacturer's rating of ~~40,000 pounds~~ 17,500 pound gross vehicle weight rating.19 (b) Class B tow truck equipment must have a minimum manufacturer's boom or combined boom  
20 rating of ~~8-12~~ tons and must be mounted on a straight truck chassis with a minimum manufacturer's rating of  
21 ~~48,000 pounds~~ 25,500 pound gross vehicle weight rating.22 (c) Class C tow truck equipment must have a minimum manufacturer's boom or combined boom  
23 rating of ~~16-25~~ tons and must be mounted on a straight truck chassis ~~that has~~ with a minimum manufacturer's  
24 rating of ~~32,000 pounds~~ 46,000 pound gross vehicle weight rating.25 (d) Class D tow truck equipment includes manufactured rollbacks ~~and car carriers~~ with manufacturer's  
26 gross vehicle weight ratings of ~~40,000~~ 19,500 pounds and over. The rollbacks ~~and car carriers~~ must be  
27 mounted on a ~~truck-trailer chassis that, at a minimum, is equal to the minimum gross weight of the rollback or~~  
28 ~~car carrier~~ straight truck chassis. Class D also includes; ~~any piece of towing equipment without a boom~~

