

May 22, 2024

Representative Nate Shannon, Chair
House Committee on Transportation, Mobility, and Infrastructure
P.O. Box 3004
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Re: Michigan Senate Bill 501; Truck Weight Limitations

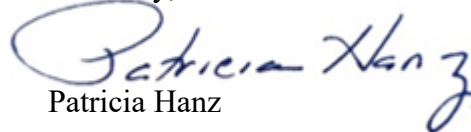
Dear Chair Shannon and Members of the House Committee on Transportation, Mobility, and Infrastructure,

I write to you today on behalf of the Truck and Engine Manufacturers Association (EMA) regarding our support of Senate Bill 501 which is scheduled for hearing on June 4, 2024. EMA previously registered its support for this bill with the Senate Transportation Committee in October 2023. EMA represents the world's leading manufacturers of commercial vehicles and engines powering equipment used in both on-and off- road equipment, including trucks, buses, construction and farm equipment, locomotives, marine vessels, lawn and garden equipment and stationary generators.

EMA supports state legislation which increases weight limits for medium and heavy-duty trucks to align with federal law in recognition of the changes to vehicles that are taking place as new technologies are developed to power these vehicles. Increasing the weight limits to provide for these heavier technologies and alignment with federal law is a crucial piece of the transformation of the transportation industry in the United States. EMA greatly appreciates your interest in this important issue for our industry and for the transportation of goods throughout Michigan and the U.S.

Thank you for your consideration of our support for this legislation and should you have any questions please feel free to contact me at phanz@emamail.org or at (312 929-1979).

Sincerely,


Patricia Hanz

cc: Senator Darrin Camilleri