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Private Acts of 1974 Chapter 196

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Sincerely,

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SECTION 1. That Chapter 309 of the Private Acts of 1945, and all Acts heretofore passed amendatory thereto, be and are hereby amended as provided herein.

SECTION 2. Any person, firm, partnership, or corporation desiring to engage in or do any work which requires or necessitates any change, alteration of (sic) damage to any of the public roads or highways of the County which are operated and maintained by Cheatham County, including the macadam of such roads and highways and the shoulders, ditches, drains, and foundations thereof, and also including the placing of side drain culverts along the sides thereof, shall, before any such work is done, apply for and obtain from the County Road Superintendent, or his duly appointed representative, in the manner and form as may be required by the County Roads Superintendent, a permit granting such person, firm, partnership, or corporation, the right and privilege to perform such work. The County Road Superintendent may require the applicant to show the location, nature and extent of the work to be performed.

SECTION 3. The County Road Superintendent of Cheatham County shall have authority to require any such person, firm, partnership, or corporation applying for such permit to enter into a reasonable and proper bond, approved by the Superintendent, in such amount as the Superintendent may consider sufficient and proper, conditioned to insure that any damage occasioned to such public roads and highways by such work will be repaired and the said roads and highways restored to as good condition as they are in before such work is done.

SECTION 4. No person, firm, partnership or corporation shall do any work upon, under, across, along, or beside any of said public roads or highways of the County which will result in any change, alteration or damage thereto, without securing a permit and executing a bond, if required, as herein provided. Any person, firm, partnership, or corporation violating the provisions of this Act shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 for each violation. Each day such permit is not obtained and such bond, if required, is not executed, after such work is begun shall constitute a separate offense and violation.

SECTION 5. The County Road Superintendent shall have the authority to designate the maximum tonnage or weight of automobiles, trucks, and other vehicles that are permitted to travel over and upon such public roads, highways, and bridges which are maintained by Cheatham County; in case of a violation of the regulations prescribed in such instances, the person, firm, partnership, or corporation violating the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$50.00 for each violation.

SECTION 6. This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Quarterly Court of Cheatham County at or before the next regular meeting of the Court occurring more than thirty (30) days after its passage. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Quarterly County Court and certified by him to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect from and after its passage and approval, the public welfare requiring it.

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