



**Senator Frank LaRose**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Ohio Senate District**

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**SENATOR LAROSE APPLAUDS PUCO DECISION ON RULES  
REGARDING PRIVATE COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES**

*COLUMBUS*— State Senator Frank LaRose (R- Akron) applauds the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio’s (PUCO) decision to rescind unnecessarily stringent rules that would have applied to some motor vehicles weighing between 10,001 and 26,000 pounds. The PUCO had twice delayed active enforcement of the rules after concerns were raised by legislators and citizens. This issue was brought to Sen. LaRose’s attention by a constituent who wrote him a letter detailing the harmful impact the regulations would have on his small business.

“These rules would have placed an undue burden on hard-working Ohio businesses and increased their operating costs making them less competitive. I am pleased we have been able to get the rules rescinded,” said LaRose, who serves as vice-chairman of the Senate Highways and Transportation Committee. “I commend the PUCO for taking this action, and look forward to continuing to work with them and affected small businesses to come up with a set of regulations that keep our roads safe while ensuring our businesses and our families can prosper.”

Besides rescinding the rules, the PUCO will be compiling a report containing an analysis and recommendations for future rule amendments. Additional information can be found on their website, [www.puco.ohio.gov](http://www.puco.ohio.gov). The agency will also include the Common Sense Initiative Office (CSIO) in the rule review process. CSIO was authorized by the General Assembly through Senate Bill 2 and established by Governor Kasich via executive order. It will help state agencies to determine any adverse impact a new rule or regulation could have on small businesses.

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