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Honorable Members of the United States Senate,

The undersigned transportation companies serve the nation's economy by employing tens of thousands of people throughout the United States, who deliver everything from raw materials, to food, to medicine – every day.

We are writing to urge you and your colleagues to **support** The Feinstein-Wicker Amendment (Amendment No.2279) filed under the DRIVE Act. This amendment allows the Secretary of Transportation to thoroughly review the prospect of allowing longer commercial freight trailers on our roads and highways. This amendment is a thoughtful approach that would allow sufficient dialogue around this measure to truly understand the impact and related consequences if enacted.

The trucking industry is deeply divided on this issue. Without this amendment, the language attached to the Senate THUD Appropriations Bill would have a negative impact on highway safety, accelerate wear and tear on the nation's highway system, and make it very difficult for small trucking companies, which are the heart of our industry, to compete.

Further, the U.S. Department of Transportation has just released a long-awaited comprehensive study on truck size and weight limits. The report concluded that no changes in the relevant truck size and weight laws should be considered at this time.

We would be happy to personally visit with you and your colleagues further, on the reasons why this amendment should be adopted. Thank you for your public service to the United States.

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