



HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

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Floor Manager:	Rep. Brent Siegrist	Senate Floor:	PASSED 48-1 (2/1/2023)
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Exempting Hydroexcavation Equipment for Certain Highway Usage Limits

- Adds hydroexcavation equipment to list of vehicles and equipment that are exempt from most size, weight, load, and permitting requirements under Iowa Code chapter 321.

Section by Section Analysis

Section 1 – Iowa Code section 321.453(1)

The section adds another category of vehicles and equipment to Iowa Code 321.453, which exempts these from most size, load, weight, and permit requirements of Iowa law. The bill adds hydroexcavation equipment which is primarily used for digging and excavation to the list of exempt vehicles and equipment under Iowa Code section 321.453 (1). The new exemption applies to Iowa roads and highways which are not apart of the Interstates.

Hydroexcavation equipment would not be exempt from the restrictions set in Iowa Code section 321.463 (maximum gross weight allowed), 321.471 (restriction set by local agencies), and 321.474 (certain DOT restrictions).