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SENATE BILL NO. 469

(By Mr. Benson and Mr. Septoe)

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APPROVED AND SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR

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AN ACT to amend and reenact section two, article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, relating to motor vehicles subject to registration and certificates of title; exemptions; implements of husbandry and farm implements towed by licensed vehicles.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section two, article three, chapter seventeen-a of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, as amended, be amended and reenacted to read as follows:

ARTICLE 3. ORIGINAL AND RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION; ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF TITLE.

§17A-3-2. Every motor vehicle, etc., subject to registration and certificate of title provisions; exceptions.

1. Every motor vehicle, trailer, semitrailer, and pole trailer when driven or moved upon a highway shall be subject to the registration and certificate of title provisions of this chapter except:
2. (1) Any such vehicle driven or moved upon a highway in conformance with the provisions of this chapter relating to manufacturers, transporters, dealers, lienholders, or nonresidents or under a temporary registration permit issued by the department as hereinafter authorized;
3. (2) Any implement of husbandry upon which is securely attached a machine for spraying fruit trees and plants of the owner or lessee or for any other implement of husbandry which is used exclusively for agricultural or horticultural purposes on lands owned or leased by the
owner thereof and which is not operated on or over any
public highway of this state for any other purpose other
than for the purpose of operating it across a highway or
along a highway other than an expressway as designated
by the state road commissioner from one point of the
owner's land to another part thereof, irrespective of
whether or not the tracts adjoin; Provided, That the
distance between the points shall not exceed fifteen
miles, or for the purpose of taking it or other fixtures
thereto attached, to and from a repair shop for repairs.
The foregoing exemption from registration and license
requirements shall also apply to any vehicle hereinbefore
described or to any farm trailer owned by the owner or
lessee of the farm on which such trailer is used, when
such trailer is used by the owner thereof for the purpose
of moving farm produce and livestock from such farm
along a public highway for a distance not to exceed ten
miles to a storage house or packing plant, when such use is
a seasonal operation.

The exemptions contained in this section shall also
apply to farm machinery and tractors: Provided further,
That such machinery and tractors may use the highways
in going from one tract of land to another tract of land
regardless of whether such land be owned by the same or
different persons.

Any vehicle exempted hereunder from the requirements
of annual registration certificate and license plates and
fees therefor shall not be permitted to use the highways
as above provided between sunset and sunrise.

Any vehicle exempted hereunder from the require-
ments of annual registration certificate and license plates
shall be permitted to use the highways as herein provided
whether such exempt vehicle is self-propelled, towed by
another exempt vehicle or towed by another vehicle for
which registration is required.

Any vehicle used as an implement of husbandry exempt
hereunder must have the words "farm use" affixed to both
sides of the implement in ten inch letters;

(3) Any vehicle which is propelled exclusively by
electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires though not operated upon rails;

(4) Any vehicle of a type subject to registration owned by the government of the United States;

(5) Any wrecked or disabled vehicle which is being towed by a licensed wrecker or dealer on the public highways of this state.
The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

James L. Davis
Chairman Senate Committee

Charles E. Crist Jr.
Chairman House Committee

Originated in the Senate.

To take effect from passage.

J. P. Wells
Clerk of the Senate
(A. Blankenship)
Clerk of the House of Delegates

J. W. Brockington
President of the Senate

A. H. Lee Jr.
Speaker House of Delegates

The within is approved this the 24

day of March, 1980.

John D. Robley, Jr.
Governor