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AN ACT

1 Amending Title 75 (Vehicles) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated
2 Statutes, providing for a definition of farm equipment; and
3 regulating use of registration plates.

4 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
5 hereby enacts as follows:

6 Section 1. Section 102 of Title 75 of the Pennsylvania
7 Consolidated Statutes is amended by adding a definition to read:
8 § 102. Definitions.

9 Subject to additional definitions contained in subsequent
10 provisions of this title which are applicable to specific
11 provisions of this title, the following words and phrases when
12 used in this title shall have, unless the context clearly
13 indicates otherwise, the meanings given to them in this section:

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15 "Farm equipment." A vehicle designed or used exclusively for
16 agricultural operations and only incidentally operated or moved
17 upon highways, including, but not limited to, farm tractors,

1 choppers and balers.

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3 Section 2. Section 1335 of Title 75 is amended by adding a
4 subsection to read:

5 § 1335. Registration plates for manufacturers and dealers.

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7 (a.2) Exemption.--The following types of dealers and
8 manufacturers are exempt from posting of the bond specified in
9 subsection (a):

10 (1) Farm equipment dealers.

11 (2) Mobile home dealers.

12 (3) Modular housing manufacturers.

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14 Section 3. Title 75 is amended by adding sections to read:

15 § 1336.1. Farm equipment dealer plates.

16 Upon submission of an application accompanied by the
17 appropriate fee and information by a farm equipment dealer that
18 a truck or truck tractor with a registered gross weight or
19 registered combination gross weight of 11,001 pounds or over is
20 used solely in the business of the dealer, the department shall
21 issue a farm equipment dealer registration plate for the
22 vehicle.

23 § 1336.2. Mobile home dealer plate.

24 Upon submission of an application accompanied by the
25 appropriate fee and information by a mobile home dealer that a
26 truck or truck tractor with a registered gross weight or
27 registered combination gross weight of 11,001 pounds or over is
28 used solely in the business of the dealer, the department shall
29 issue a dealer registration plate indicating the motor vehicle
30 is owned by a mobile home dealer or modular housing

1 manufacturer.

2 Section 4. Section 1344(a)(3) of Title 75 is amended and the
3 subsection is amended by adding a paragraph to read:

4 § 1344. Use of farm truck plates.

5 (a) General rule.--A truck bearing farm truck registration
6 plates shall be used exclusively upon a farm or farms owned or
7 operated by the registrant of the vehicle or upon highways
8 between:

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10 (3) Such a farm or farms and a place of business for the
11 purpose of buying or selling agricultural commodities or
12 supplies; [for the examination of an applicant for a driver's
13 license; or for the inspection, repair or servicing of the
14 vehicle.] and, upon the sale of agricultural commodities
15 produced by the registrant of the vehicle, between the place
16 of the sale and the place of delivery of the agricultural
17 commodities provided that:

18 (i) delivery is made pursuant to the sale of the
19 commodities by the registrant, or by an agent, auctioneer
20 or person acting on behalf of the registrant; and

21 (ii) delivery is made by the same vehicle of the
22 registrant which transported said commodities to the
23 place of sale.

24 (4) Such a farm or farms and a place for the examination
25 of an applicant for a driver's license; or for the
26 inspection, repair or servicing of the vehicle.

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28 Section 5. Title 75 is amended by adding sections to read:

29 § 1344.1. Use of farm equipment dealer plates.

30 A truck or truck tractor bearing farm equipment dealer truck

registration plates shall be used solely in the business of the dealer and operated exclusively by the dealership or its employees only when the vehicle is used:

(1) for delivering farm equipment to a farm for the purposes of sale, demonstration, loaning to customers whose farm equipment is being repaired or loaning to prospective purchasers;

(2) for pickup of new farm equipment from the manufacturer or distributor;

(3) for pickup of used farm equipment for the purpose of resale; or

(4) for inspection, repair or servicing of the vehicle.

§ 1344.2. Use of dealer registration plates for motor vehicles owned by mobile home dealer or modular housing manufacturer.

A truck or truck tractor owned by a mobile home dealer or modular housing manufacturer bearing dealer registrations plates shall be used solely in the business of the dealer and operated exclusively by the owner or its employees only when the vehicle is used:

(1) for delivering mobile homes or modular housing units following sale;

(2) for pickup of used mobile homes for the purpose of resale; or

(3) for repair or servicing of mobile homes.

§ 1926.1. Farm equipment vehicle dealers.

The annual fee for registration of a farm equipment dealer truck or truck tractor shall be one-half of the regular fee.

§ 1926.2. Mobile home dealers and modular housing manufacturers.

1 The annual fee for dealer registration for a truck or truck
2 tractor owned by a mobile home dealer or modular housing
3 manufacturer shall be one-half of the regular fee.

4 Section 6. Section 2306 of Title 75 is amended to read:

5 § 2306. Exemptions.

6 No person who acts solely as either a notary or messenger for
7 motor vehicle forms or a farm equipment dealer, mobile home
8 dealer or modular housing manufacturer shall be bound by the
9 provisions of this chapter.

10 Section 7. This act shall take effect in 60 days.