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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. 992

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Transportation Finance and Policy Division

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to transportation; including pickup trucks in the definition of "farm truck;"
1.3 amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 168.002, subdivision 8.

1.4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.5 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 168.002, subdivision 8, is amended to read:

1.6 Subd. 8. **Farm truck.** (a) "Farm truck" means all single-unit trucks, pickup trucks,
1.7 truck-tractors, tractors, semitrailers, and trailers used by the owner thereof to transport
1.8 agricultural, horticultural, dairy, and other farm products, including livestock, produced or
1.9 finished by the owner of the truck, and any other personal property owned by the farmer to
1.10 whom the license for the truck is issued, from the farm to market, and to transport property
1.11 and supplies to the farm of the owner. Trucks, pickup trucks, truck-tractors, tractors,
1.12 semitrailers, and trailers registered as "farm trucks" may be used by the owner thereof to
1.13 occasionally transport unprocessed and raw farm products, not produced by the owner of
1.14 the truck, from the place of production to market when the transportation constitutes the
1.15 first haul of the products, and may be used by the owner thereof, either farmer or logger
1.16 who harvests and hauls forest products only, to transport logs, pulpwood, lumber, chips,
1.17 railroad ties and other raw and unfinished forest products from the place of production to
1.18 an intermediate or final assembly point or transfer yard or railhead, which transportation
1.19 may be continued by another farm truck to a place for final processing or manufacture
1.20 located within 200 miles of the place of production and all of which is deemed to constitute
1.21 the first haul of unfinished wood products; provided that the owner and operator of the
1.22 vehicle transporting planed lumber shall have in immediate possession a statement signed
1.23 by the producer of the lumber designating the governmental subdivision, section, and

2.1 township where the lumber was produced and that this haul, indicating the date, is the first
2.2 haul thereof. The licensed vehicles may also be used by the owner thereof to transport, to
2.3 and from timber-harvesting areas, equipment and appurtenances incidental to timber
2.4 harvesting, and gravel and other road-building materials for timber haul roads.

2.5 (b) "Farm trucks" shall also include only single-unit trucks that, because of their
2.6 construction, cannot be used for any other purpose and are used exclusively to transport
2.7 milk and cream en route from a farm to an assembly point or place for final manufacture,
2.8 and for transporting milk and cream from an assembly point to a place for final processing
2.9 or manufacture. This section shall not be construed to mean that the owner or operator of
2.10 the truck cannot carry on usual accommodation services for patrons on regular return trips,
2.11 such as butter, cream, cheese, and other dairy supplies.