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

- 1.1A bill for an act
- 1.2relating to transportation; establishing exemptions from motor vehicle inspection
- 1.3requirements for certain farm vehicles; amending Minnesota Statutes 2024, sections
- 1.4169.781, subdivision 10; 169.782, subdivision 4.
- 1.5BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
- 1.6Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 169.781, subdivision 10, is amended to read:
- 1.7Subd. 10. **Exemptions.** (a) This section does not apply to a vehicle operated by a motor
- 1.8carrier of passengers, as defined in section 221.012, subdivision 26, if the vehicle has been
- 1.9inspected under section 221.0252, subdivision 3, paragraph (a), clause (2), within the previous
- 1.1012 months.
- 1.11(b) This section does not apply to a covered farm vehicle, as defined in Code of Federal
- 1.12Regulations, title 49, section 390.5, that is not carrying hazardous materials of a type or
- 1.13quantity that requires the vehicle to be placarded in accordance with Code of Federal
- 1.14Regulations, title 49, section 172.504.
- 1.15(c) This section does not apply to a farm work truck that is:
- 1.16(1) operated in intrastate commerce;
- 1.17(2) used in the transportation of anhydrous ammonia to a farm for on-farm use, or from
- 1.18a farm; and
- 1.19(3) not otherwise used in the transportation of hazardous materials of a type or quantity
- 1.20that requires the vehicle to be placarded in accordance with Code of Federal Regulations,
- 1.21title 49, section 172.504.

2.1 (d) For purposes of paragraph (c), "farm work truck" means a farm truck, as defined in
2.2 section 168.002, subdivision 8, excluding a trailer or semitrailer, or a full-size pickup truck
2.3 that meets the requirements for a farm truck under section 168.002, subdivision 8, paragraph
2.4 (a), that is registered under section 168.013, subdivision 1a, 1c, or 1e.

2.5 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2024, section 169.782, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

2.6 Subd. 4. **Exceptions.** (a) This section does not apply to a commercial motor vehicle that
2.7 is a farm truck that may be operated by a person not holding a commercial driver's license,
2.8 provided that before driving the vehicle, a driver must determine that the vehicle is in safe
2.9 operating condition.

2.10 (b) This section does not apply to a commercial motor vehicle held for resale by a motor
2.11 vehicle dealer licensed under section 168.27.

2.12 (c) This section does not apply to a covered farm vehicle as defined in Code of Federal
2.13 Regulations, title 49, section 390.5, that is not carrying hazardous materials of a type or
2.14 quantity that requires the vehicle to be placarded in accordance with Code of Federal
2.15 Regulations, title 49, section 172.504.

2.16 (d) This section does not apply to a vehicle specified under section 169.781, subdivision
2.17 10, paragraphs (c) and (d), provided that before driving the vehicle, a driver must determine
2.18 that the vehicle is in safe operating condition.