
SENATE BILL 5892

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By Senator Hansen.

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1 AN ACT Relating to transportation of horses by farmers; and
2 amending RCW 81.80.040.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 81.80.040 and 1984 c 171 s 1 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The provisions of this chapter, except where specifically otherwise
7 provided, and except the provisions providing for licenses, shall not
8 apply to:

9 (1) Motor vehicles when operated in transportation exclusively
10 within the corporate limits of any city or town of less than ten
11 thousand population unless contiguous to a city or town of ten thousand
12 population or over, nor between contiguous cities or towns both or all
13 of which are less than ten thousand population;

14 (2) Motor vehicles when operated in transportation wholly within
15 the corporate limits of cities or towns of ten thousand or more but

1 less than thirty thousand population, or between such cities or towns
2 when contiguous, as to which the commission, after investigation and
3 the issuance of an order thereon, has determined that no substantial
4 public interest exists which requires that such transportation be
5 subject to regulation under this chapter;

6 (3) Motor vehicles when transporting exclusively the United States
7 mail or in the transportation of newspapers or periodicals;

8 (4) Motor vehicles owned and operated by the United States, the
9 state of Washington, or any county, city, town, or municipality
10 therein, or by any department of them, or either of them;

11 (5) Motor vehicles specially constructed for towing disabled
12 vehicles or wrecking and not otherwise used in transporting goods for
13 compensation;

14 (6) Motor vehicles normally owned and operated by farmers in the
15 transportation of their own farm, orchard, or dairy products, including
16 livestock and plant or animal wastes, from point of production to
17 market, or in the infrequent or seasonal transportation by one farmer
18 for another farmer, if their farms are located within twenty miles of
19 each other, of products of the farm, orchard, or dairy, including
20 livestock and plant or animal wastes, or of supplies or commodities to
21 be used on the farm, orchard, or dairy;

22 (7) Motor vehicles when transporting exclusively water in
23 connection with construction projects only;

24 (8) Motor vehicles of less than 8,000 pounds gross vehicle weight
25 when transporting exclusively legal documents, pleadings, process,
26 correspondence, depositions, briefs, medical records, photographs,
27 books or papers, cash or checks, when moving shipments of the documents
28 described at the direction of an attorney as part of providing legal
29 services;

1 (9) Motor vehicles used by a farmer to transport ill or injured
2 horses to or from the farmer's own property for rehabilitation by the
3 farmer when the transportation is incidental to the rehabilitation of
4 the horses.