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**SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6816**

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**State of Washington                      61st Legislature                      2010 Regular Session**

**By Senate Agriculture & Rural Economic Development (originally sponsored by Senator Schoesler)**

READ FIRST TIME 02/05/10.

1            AN ACT Relating to special permitting for certain farm implements;  
2 and creating a new section.

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

4            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.**    The department of transportation shall  
5 review its administrative rules that pertain to transporting farm  
6 implements, with special attention to WAC 468-38-290(3)(b) that  
7 establishes a blanket restriction on transporting farm implements over  
8 fourteen feet in height on the holder of a farm implement special  
9 permit.    In conducting this review, the department shall invite  
10 representatives of farmers, farm equipment dealers, the Washington  
11 state patrol's commercial vehicle enforcement office, and other  
12 interested stakeholders to participate.    The department shall consider  
13 whether there are specific areas in the state where there is a need for  
14 transporting farm implements that exceed fourteen feet in height, and  
15 an ability to provide an exception to the fourteen-foot height  
16 limitation without causing damage to road overpasses and other overhead  
17 obstructions.    The department is encouraged to conduct this review in  
18 a timely manner so that any rule changes can be implemented  
19 expeditiously.

1           The department shall provide a written report of the findings and  
2 conclusions of its review to the legislative committees with  
3 jurisdiction over transportation and agricultural issues by December 1,  
4 2010.

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