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A *BILL to amend and reenact § 46.2-668 of the Code of Virginia, relating to vehicles used in harvesting.*

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

1. That § 46.2-668 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:

§ 46.2-668. Vehicles validly registered in other states and used in conjunction with harvesting operations.

A. No person shall be required to obtain the registration certificate, license plates and decals, or pay a registration fee for any motor vehicle, trailer, or semitrailer which is validly registered in another state and bears valid license plates issued by that state when the use of the vehicle has been contracted for by the owner or lessee of a farm as an incidental part of the harvesting of a crop from his farm. This exemption shall only be valid while the vehicle is engaged in transporting farm produce from the farm:

1. As an incidental part of harvesting operations;
2. Along a public highway for a distance of not more than twenty miles to a storage house, packing plant, market, or transportation terminal;
3. When the use is a seasonal operation; and
4. When the owner of the vehicle has secured from the Commissioner an exemption permit for each vehicle.

B. The Commissioner, upon receipt of certification by the Superintendent of State Police that a vehicle is entitled to the exemption set forth in this subsection *and, if the vehicle is a qualified highway vehicle under § 58.1-2700, payment of \$100*, shall issue an exemption permit on a form prescribed by him. The exemption permit shall be carried at all times by the operator of the vehicle for which it is issued or displayed in a conspicuous place on the vehicle. The exemption permit shall be valid for a period of ninety days from date of issue and shall be renewable by the procedure set forth in the foregoing provisions of this section.

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