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2003 ASSEMBLY BILL 710

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AN ACT *to create* 341.05 (27) of the statutes; **relating to:** exempting farm truck tractors being operated in intrastate transportation for certain agricultural purposes from vehicle registration.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, certain vehicles that are operated upon the highways of this state are not required to be registered with the Department of Transportation (DOT). These vehicles include implements of husbandry, wood harvesting slashers, and certain farm tractors, trailers, and semitrailers being used solely for specified agricultural purposes.

This bill exempts from vehicle registration by DOT any farm truck tractor operated solely in intrastate transportation that is transporting manure, grains, silage, haylage, or equipment between fields or between a farm and a field or is being operated from its point of purchase to the operator's farm. This exemption does not apply to transportation by a motor carrier.

Under current law, no person may operate upon a highway of this state any vehicle that exceeds certain limits on size, weight, or load unless that person possesses a permit issued by DOT. This bill does not change any statutory provisions relating to such permits.

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For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. 341.05 (27) of the statutes is created to read:

341.05 (27) Notwithstanding s. 341.26 (3) (ar), the vehicle is a farm truck tractor being operated solely in intrastate transportation and is transporting manure, grains, silage, haylage, or equipment between fields or between a farm and a field at the time of operation or is being operated from its point of purchase to the operator's farm. This subsection does not apply to transportation by a common motor carrier or contract motor carrier.

8 (END)