

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 247—ASSEMBLYMEN GOICOECHEA;  
GRADY AND HANSEN

MARCH 9, 2011

Referred to Committee on Transportation

**SUMMARY**—Authorizes an agricultural user to apply to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance of a license plate and decal to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on a highway in this State under certain circumstances. (BDR 43-300)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to vehicles; authorizing an agricultural user to apply to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles for the issuance of a license plate and decal to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on a highway in this State under certain circumstances; requiring the license plate to be displayed on the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry in a certain manner; authorizing the Department to issue a replacement license plate or decal upon the payment of a fee if a license plate or decal is lost or destroyed; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

1 Under existing law, every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer that is  
2 intended to be operated upon any highway in this State is required, before operating  
3 the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, to apply to the Department of Motor  
4 Vehicles to register the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer. (NRS 482.205)  
5 Existing law exempts an implement of husbandry from the registration requirement  
6 if the implement of husbandry is temporarily drawn, moved or otherwise propelled  
7 upon a highway. (NRS 482.210) This bill authorizes a person who is an agricultural  
8 user and who wishes to obtain a license plate and decal to operate a farm tractor or  
9 self-propelled implement of husbandry on the highways of this State to submit an



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10 application to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles. An  
11 "agricultural user" is defined to mean a person who owns or operates a farm tractor  
12 or self-propelled implement of husbandry for a certain type of agricultural use. This  
13 bill requires the Department to issue a license plate and decal for the farm tractor or  
14 self-propelled implement of husbandry as soon as practicable after the Department  
15 receives the application, applicable fee and appropriate evidence of insurance. This  
16 bill also authorizes an agricultural user to submit an application for the renewal of a  
17 license plate and decal for a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry.  
18 An application for renewal must include the applicable fee and appropriate  
19 evidence of insurance. Finally, this bill authorizes the Department to issue a new  
20 license plate or decal for a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry if  
21 the license plate or decal is lost or destroyed and specifies that a certificate of  
22 compliance or vehicle inspection report concerning the control of emissions is not  
23 required for the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry.

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 482 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary:*

4 *1. Any agricultural user who wishes to obtain a license plate*  
5 *and decal to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of*  
6 *husbandry on the highways of this State may submit an*  
7 *application to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department. Each*  
8 *application must be made upon the appropriate form furnished by*  
9 *the Department. The application must include a nonrefundable*  
10 *fee of \$20.50 and evidence satisfactory to the Department that the*  
11 *agricultural user is the holder of a policy of liability insurance*  
12 *which provides at least \$300,000 in coverage for bodily injury and*  
13 *property damage resulting from any single accident caused by the*  
14 *agricultural user while operating the farm tractor or self-propelled*  
15 *implement of husbandry. As soon as practicable after receiving the*  
16 *application, fee and evidence of insurance, the Department shall*  
17 *issue the license plate and decal to the agricultural user to affix to*  
18 *the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry. A decal*  
19 *issued pursuant to this subsection expires on December 31 of the*  
20 *year in which the Department issues the decal. The license plate*  
21 *and decal are not transferable and must be surrendered or*  
22 *returned to the Department within 60 days after:*

23 *(a) A transfer of ownership or interest in the farm tractor or*  
24 *self-propelled implement of husbandry occurs; or*

25 *(b) The decal expires pursuant to this subsection and the*  
26 *agricultural user fails to submit an application for renewal*  
27 *pursuant to subsection 2.*

28 *2. An application for the renewal of a license plate and decal*  
29 *issued pursuant to subsection 1 must be made upon the*



1 *appropriate form furnished by the Department. The application*  
2 *for renewal must include a nonrefundable fee of \$10 and evidence*  
3 *satisfactory to the Department that the agricultural user is the*  
4 *holder of a policy of liability insurance specified in subsection 1.*  
5 *As soon as practicable after receiving the application for renewal,*  
6 *fee and evidence of insurance, the Department shall issue a new*  
7 *decal to affix to the license plate. A decal issued pursuant to this*  
8 *subsection expires on December 31 of the year in which the*  
9 *Department issues the decal.*

10 3. *A license plate issued pursuant to subsection 1 must be*  
11 *displayed on the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of*  
12 *husbandry in such a manner that the license plate is easily visible*  
13 *from the rear of the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of*  
14 *husbandry. If the license plate is lost or destroyed, the Department*  
15 *may issue a replacement plate upon the payment of a fee of 50*  
16 *cents. If the decal is lost or destroyed, the Department may, upon*  
17 *the payment of the fee specified in subsection 2, issue a*  
18 *replacement decal for the farm tractor or self-propelled implement*  
19 *of husbandry.*

20 4. *Notwithstanding any provision of chapter 445B of NRS to*  
21 *the contrary, an agricultural user is not required to obtain a*  
22 *certificate of compliance or vehicle inspection report concerning*  
23 *the control of emissions from a farm tractor or self-propelled*  
24 *implement of husbandry before obtaining a license plate and decal*  
25 *for or operating the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of*  
26 *husbandry pursuant to this section.*

27 5. *As used in this section, "agricultural user" means any*  
28 *person who owns or operates a farm tractor or self-propelled*  
29 *implement of husbandry specified in subsection 1 for an*  
30 *agricultural use. As used in this subsection, "agricultural use" has*  
31 *the meaning ascribed to it in NRS 361A.030.*

32 **Sec. 2.** (Deleted by amendment.)

33 **Sec. 3.** (Deleted by amendment.)

34 **Sec. 4.** (Deleted by amendment.)

35 **Sec. 5.** (Deleted by amendment.)

36 **Sec. 6.** (Deleted by amendment.)

37 **Sec. 7.** (Deleted by amendment.)

38 **Sec. 8.** (Deleted by amendment.)

39 **Sec. 9.** (Deleted by amendment.)

40 **Sec. 10.** (Deleted by amendment.)

41 **Sec. 11.** (Deleted by amendment.)

42 **Sec. 12.** (Deleted by amendment.)

43 **Sec. 13.** This act becomes effective on January 1, 2014.

