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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2014

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RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES - REGISTRATION

Introduced By: Representatives Azzinaro, Corvese, Edwards, Walsh, and Kennedy

Date Introduced: February 13, 2014

Referred To: House Judiciary

(Revenue)

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 31-3-31 of the General Laws in Chapter 31-3 entitled "Registration
2 of Vehicles" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **31-3-31. Registration of farm vehicles.** -- (a) Farm vehicles, as defined in section 31-1-
4 8, equipped with rubber tires while being used in farming and operated on highways shall be
5 registered on a form furnished by the administrator of the division of motor vehicles and shall be
6 assigned a special number plate with a suitable symbol or letter indicating the usage of the farm
7 vehicle. ~~The use of the number plates shall be confined to the period of one year.~~

8 (b) The director of the department of revenue shall promulgate rules and regulations for
9 the inspection of farm vehicles.

10 (c) Farm plates may not be utilized on: (1) vehicles eligible for registration as private
11 passenger automobiles; provided, however, that any vehicle eligible for registration as a private
12 passenger and registered with farm plates prior to July 1, 2002, may continue to be registered
13 with farm plates by the owner to whom the farm plates were issued; or (2) on any vehicle that is
14 not a farm vehicle as defined in section 31-1-8.

15 (d) Farm plates may be displayed on vehicles used in the delivery of agricultural
16 products produced by the farmer; however, farm plates shall not be displayed on vehicles used for
17 deliveries by persons, as defined in section 31-1-17(g), that do not raise agricultural products.

1 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION
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- 1 This act would eliminate the requirement that farm license plates be renewed annually.
- 2 This act would take effect upon passage.

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