

Assembly Bill No. 247–Assemblymen Goicoechea;
Grady and Hansen

CHAPTER.....

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:

Under existing law, every owner of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer that is intended to be operated upon any highway in this State is required, before operating the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer, to apply to the Department of Motor Vehicles to register the motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer. (NRS 482.205) Existing law exempts an implement of husbandry from the registration requirement if the implement of husbandry is temporarily drawn, moved or otherwise propelled upon a highway. (NRS 482.210) This bill authorizes a person who is an agricultural user and who wishes to obtain a license plate and decal to operate a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry on the highways of this State to submit an application to the Motor Carrier Division of the Department of Motor Vehicles. An “agricultural user” is defined to mean a person who owns or operates a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry for a certain type of agricultural use. This bill requires the Department to issue a license plate and decal for the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry as soon as practicable after the Department receives the application, applicable fee and appropriate evidence of insurance. This bill also authorizes an agricultural user to submit an application for the renewal of a license plate and decal for a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry. An application for renewal must include the applicable fee and appropriate evidence of insurance. Finally, this bill authorizes the Department to issue a new license plate or decal for a farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry if the license plate or decal is lost or destroyed and specifies that a certificate of compliance or vehicle inspection report concerning the control of emissions is not required for the farm tractor or self-propelled implement of husbandry.



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

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

Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary:

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

Secs. 2-12. (Deleted by amendment.)

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



