

HOUSE BILL NO. 389

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN VEHICLES TRANSPORTING AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS HAY, STRAW, OR BOTH FROM HEIGHT RESTRICTIONS; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-10-103, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 61-10-103, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-10-103. Height. ~~A~~ (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), a vehicle, unladen or with load, may not exceed a height of 14 feet.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to a vehicle, unladen or with load, THAT DOES NOT EXCEED A HEIGHT OF 15 FEET 6 INCHES if:

(a) the vehicle is transporting or returning from transporting ~~agricultural products~~ HAY, STRAW, OR BOTH ON A TWO-LANE HIGHWAY from a point of loading to a point of unloading not more than 150 miles apart;

(b) the vehicle ~~does not encounter overhead obstacles~~ WILL NOT ENCOUNTER OVERHEAD OBSTACLES 17 FEET FROM THE GROUND OR LOWER WHILE in transit; and

(c) the vehicle and its load are secured in a manner to prevent hazards to persons or property."

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