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CHAMBER ACTION

<u>Senate</u>	.	<u>House</u>
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1 The Committee on Agriculture (Diaz de la Portilla) recommended
 2 the following **amendment**:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete line(s) 43-71

and insert:

7 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the width
 8 requirements of this chapter do not apply to agricultural
 9 equipment and implements of husbandry used for agricultural
 10 purposes. Agricultural equipment and implements of husbandry used
 11 for agricultural purposes are authorized for the purpose of
 12 moving from one point of agricultural production to another, if
 13 such movement is performed during daylight hours within a radius
 14 of 50 miles from the point of origin thereof and no part of such
 15 movement is upon any highway designated as a part of the National
 16 System of Interstate and Defense Highways or any fully controlled
 17 access highway facility. Such vehicles shall be operated in



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18 accordance with all safety requirements prescribed by law and
19 rules of the Department of Transportation.

20 (c) (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law,
21 equipment not exceeding 136 inches in width and not capable of
22 speeds exceeding 20 miles per hour which is used exclusively for
23 harvesting forestry products is authorized for the purpose of
24 transporting equipment from one point of harvest to another point
25 of harvest, not to exceed 10 miles, by a person engaged in the
26 harvesting of forestry products. Such vehicles must be operated
27 during daylight hours only, in accordance with all safety
28 requirements prescribed by s. 316.2295(5) and (6).

29 Section 2. Subsection (4) of section 316.535, Florida
30 Statutes, is amended to read:

31 316.535 Maximum weights.--

32 (4) With respect to the Interstate Highway System, in all
33 cases in which it exceeds state law in effect on January 4, 1975,
34 the overall gross weight on a group of two or more consecutive
35 axles of a vehicle or combination of vehicles, including all
36 enforcement tolerances, shall be as determined by the following
37 formula:

$$38$$
$$39 W = 500((LN / (N-1)) + 12N + 36)$$
$$40$$

41 where W = the overall gross weight on any group of two or more
42 consecutive axles to the nearest 500 pounds; L = the distance in
43 feet between the extremes of any group of two or more consecutive
44 axles; and N = the number of axles in the group under
45 consideration. Such overall gross weight of any vehicle or
46 combination of vehicles may not exceed 80,000 pounds, including
47 all enforcement tolerances, except that, for a vehicle or



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48 combination of vehicles moving agricultural or forestry products
 49 from the point of harvest to the first point of marketing or
 50 processing when no part of such movement is upon any highway
 51 designated as a part of the National System of Interstate and
 52 Defense Highways, the vehicle or combination of vehicles may not
 53 exceed an overall gross weight of 84,000 pounds, including all
 54 enforcement tolerances.

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 56 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

57 And the title is amended as follows:

58 Delete line(s) 8-10

59 and insert:

60 limitations on such use; amending s. 316.535, F.S.;

61 providing an exception to the limitation on overall gross

62 weight for vehicles hauling agricultural or forestry

63 products on the Interstate Highway System from the point

64 of production to the first point of marketing or

65 processing; providing an effective date.