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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Transportation (Evers) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 23 - 39  
and insert:

(f) A melon hauling vehicle: \$7.50 flat. The term "melon hauling vehicle" means a vehicle that has been altered from its original use so that the primary purpose is to transport melons from a farm or harvest place to the first place of processing or storage, or from a farm or harvest place directly to market.

Section 2. Paragraph (c) of subsection (2) of section



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11 322.53, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

12 322.53 License required; exemptions.—

13 (2) The following persons are exempt from the requirement  
14 to obtain a commercial driver license:

15 (c)1. Farmers transporting agricultural products, farm  
16 supplies, or farm machinery to or from their farms and within  
17 150 miles of their farms, if the vehicle operated under this  
18 exemption is not used in the operations of a common or contract  
19 motor carrier.

20 2. Drivers of melon hauling vehicles registered under s.  
21 320.08(3)(f). However, such drivers must comply with 49 C.F.R.  
22 parts 382, 392, and 393 and 49 C.F.R. ss. 396.3(a)(1) and 396.9.

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

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 Delete lines 2 - 8

27 and insert:

28 An act relating to registration of melon hauling  
29 vehicles; amending s. 320.08, F.S.; providing a fee  
30 for registration of a melon hauling vehicle; defining  
31 the term "melon hauling vehicle"; amending s. 322.53,  
32 F.S.; exempting drivers of melon hauling vehicles from  
33 the requirement to obtain a commercial driver license;  
34 requiring such drivers to comply with specified  
35 regulations; providing an