

ENROLLED ACT NO. 65, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING
2017 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; amending driver's license endorsement provisions; providing exemptions from motor vehicle requirements as specified to conform to federal regulations; requiring rulemaking; and providing for effective dates.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 31-7-109(h)(viii)(intro), 31-7-303(a)(intro), (i)(B) and by creating a new subsection (b) and 31-18-103(a)(iv) and (v) are amended to read:

31-7-109. Classes of licenses.

(h) The following driver's license endorsements are special authorizations permitting the driver to operate certain types of motor vehicles or transport certain types of cargo if the endorsement is displayed on the driver license:

(viii) "Z" authorizes the holder of a class C license under subsection (d) of this section to operate a vehicle or combination of vehicles which have a gross vehicle weight rating of thirty-nine thousand one (39,001) pounds or more. An endorsement under this paragraph shall not be required for any driver exempted from licensing requirements of this article under W.S. 31-7-303 and shall be issued only if the driver held a class A or class B license under this article prior to July 1, 2015 or the driver, as required by rule and regulation of the department, has completed a written test and:

31-7-303. Exemptions.

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(a) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, the department shall by rule and regulation grant an exemption from the licensing and other requirements of this article or from the requirements of any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this article to a class of persons or class of commercial motor vehicles exempted by the secretary of the United States department of transportation pursuant to title 49 of the United States Code including:

(i) A farm or ranch vehicle when:

(B) Used in agricultural operations as defined in W.S. 31-18-801(a)(i), exempted under W.S. 31-18-103(a) and used to transport either agricultural products, farm or ranch machinery, farm or ranch supplies, or any combination of these items, to or from a farm or ranch; and

(b) The department of transportation shall by rule and regulation grant to any person or class of persons specified under subsection (a) of this section any exemption from the requirements of this title that is granted by the secretary of the United States department of transportation.

31-18-103. Exemptions.

(a) The provisions contained in W.S. 31-18-104, 31-18-209, 31-18-301 and 31-18-304 do not apply to:

(iv) Intrastate transportation on his own motor vehicle or combination of vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of less than ~~fifty-five thousand (55,000)~~ eighty thousand (80,000) pounds by any farmer or rancher, or the employee of a farmer or rancher exclusively in his service,

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transporting produce or commodities for his own use to and from his farm or ranch;

(v) The exchange of intrastate transportation in their own motor vehicles, or combination of vehicles having a gross vehicle weight of less than ~~fifty-five thousand (55,000)~~ eighty thousand (80,000) pounds by farmers or ranchers, or the employees of farmers or ranchers exclusively in their service, when the exchange is between farmers or ranchers, or their employees, in the immediate community;

Section 2. The department of transportation shall adopt any rules necessary to implement this act on or before July 1, 2017.

Section 3.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, this act is effective July 1, 2017.

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(b) Section 2 of this act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk