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Emergency. SEC. 2. This act is necessary for the immediate support of the state government and its existing public institutions and shall take effect immediately.

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Passed the Senate March 10, 1953.
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CHAPTER 227.
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MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSES—FARM TRUCKS—GROSS WEIGHT FEES.

AN ACT relating to gross weight fees on farm trucks.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

SECTION 1. Section 46.16.090, RCW, as derived from section 1, chapter 15, Laws of 1950, Extraordinary Session, as amended by section 12, chapter 269, Laws of 1951, is amended to read as follows:

Motor trucks of less than twenty thousand pounds may be specially licensed based on the maximum gross weight thereof for fifty percent of the various amounts set forth in the schedule provided in RCW 46.16.070, when such trucks are owned and operated by farmers, but only if the following condition or conditions exist:

(1) When such trucks are to be used for the transportation of such farmer’s own farm, orchard or dairy products from point of production to market, and of supplies to be used on his farm; and/or

(2) When such trucks are to be used for the infrequent or seasonal transportation by one such farmer for another farmer in his neighborhood of products of the farm, orchard or dairy owned by such other farmer from point of production to market, or supplies to be used on such other farm,
but only if such transportation for another farmer is for compensation other than money: Provided, however, That farmers shall be permitted an allowance of an additional eight thousand pounds, within the legal limits, on motor trucks, when used in the transportation of such farmer's own farm machinery between his own farm or farms and for a distance of not more than thirty-five miles from his farm or farms.

The department shall prepare a special form of application to be used by farmers applying for licenses under this section, which form shall contain a statement to be signed by the farmer to the effect that the vehicle concerned will be used subject to the limitations of this section. The department shall prepare special insignia which shall be placed upon all such vehicles to indicate that the vehicle is specially licensed, or may, in its discretion, substitute a special license plate for such vehicles for such designation.

Any person who operates such a specially licensed vehicle in transportation upon the public highways in violation of the limitations of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Passed the House February 21, 1953.
Passed the Senate March 9, 1953.
Approved by the Governor March 20, 1953.