

HOUSE No. 4061

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, May 5, 2014.

The committee on Transportation to whom was referred the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 3090) of Stephen Kulik and others relative to the operation of unregistered or improperly equipped motor vehicles or trailers for agricultural purposes, reports recommending that the accompanying bill (House, No. 4061) ought to pass.

For the committee,

WILLIAM M. STRAUS.

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In the Year Two Thousand Fourteen

An Act to enhance agricultural operations.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 9 of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2012 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by striking the third sentence and inserting in place thereof the following 3
3 sentences:-

4 A tractor, trailer, truck or all-terrain vehicle may be operated without such registration
5 upon any way for a distance not exceeding one-half mile, if said tractor, trailer, truck or all-
6 terrain vehicle is used exclusively for agricultural purposes, or between one-half mile and 10
7 miles if said tractor, trailer, truck or all-terrain vehicle is used exclusively for agricultural
8 purposes and the owner thereof maintains in full force a policy of liability insurance which
9 conforms to the provisions of section one hundred and thirteen A of chapter one hundred and
10 seventy-five or for a distance not exceeding three hundred yards, if such tractor, trailer or truck is
11 used for industrial purposes other than agricultural purposes, for the purpose of going from
12 property owned or occupied by the owner of such tractor, trailer or truck to other property so
13 owned or occupied. Persons utilizing all-terrain vehicles under these provisions shall annually
14 notify the police department in the municipalities in which they are to operate of the public way
15 and sections of public way on which they operate in the course of agricultural purposes. All-
16 terrain vehicles operating under the provisions of this section shall be equipped with a safety flag
17 of not less than 36 square inches in area which shall be elevated to no less than 6 feet from the
18 ground.