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Introduced by Sen. YOUNG -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Transportation

AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to farm tractors and self propelled machines used primarily for agricultural purposes

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Section 125 of the vehicle and traffic law, as amended by
2 chapter 365 of the laws of 2008, is amended to read as follows:
3 § 125. Motor vehicles. Every vehicle operated or driven upon a public
4 highway which is propelled by any power other than muscular power,
5 except (a) electrically-driven mobility assistance devices operated or
6 driven by a person with a disability, (a-1) electric personal assistive
7 mobility devices operated outside a city with a population of one
8 million or more, (b) vehicles which run only upon rails or tracks, (c)
9 snowmobiles as defined in article forty-seven of this chapter, and (d)
10 all terrain vehicles as defined in article forty-eight-B of this chap-
11 ter. For the purposes of title four of this chapter, the term motor
12 vehicle shall exclude fire and police vehicles other than ambulances.
13 For the purposes of titles four and five of this chapter the term motor
14 vehicles shall exclude farm type tractors used primarily for agricul-
15 tural purposes and all terrain type vehicles used exclusively for agri-
16 cultural purposes, or for snow plowing, other than for hire, farm equip-
17 ment, including self-propelled machines used [~~exclusively~~] primarily in
18 growing, harvesting or handling farm produce, and self-propelled cater-
19 pillar or crawler-type equipment while being operated on the contract
20 site.
21 § 2. Subdivision 2 of section 311 of the vehicle and traffic law, as
22 amended by chapter 228 of the laws of 1983, is amended to read as
23 follows:

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [~~-~~] is old law to be omitted.

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1 2. The term "motor vehicle" shall be defined as in section one hundred
2 twenty-five of this chapter, except that it shall also include trailers,
3 semi-trailers and tractors other than tractors used [~~exclusively~~] prima-
4 rily for agricultural purposes, and shall exclude fire and police vehi-
5 cles, farm equipment, including self-propelled machines used [~~exclusive-~~
6 ~~ly~~] primarily in growing, harvesting or handling farm produce, tractors
7 used [~~exclusively~~] primarily for agricultural purposes, or for snow
8 plowing other than for hire, and self-propelled caterpillar or crawler-
9 type equipment while being operated on the contract site.
10 § 3. This act shall take effect immediately.