HB 169 INTRODUCED BY GILBERT FARM VEHICLES' GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT SPECIAL FEES ELIMINATED FOR TRAILERS AND SEMITRAILERS

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REMOVING TRAILERS AND SEMITRAILERS FROM VEHICLES ELIGIBLE FOR GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT SPECIAL FEES FOR FARM VEHICLES; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-10-206, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 61-10-206, MCA, is amended to read: "61-10-206. Special fees -- certain farm vehicles. Except for motortrucks owned and operated by cooperative associations or cooperative marketing associations, there shall be paid and collected annually a fee equal to 16% of the fees provided in Schedule I and Schedule II above on motortrucks7--trailers7-and-semitrailers up to 46,000 pounds gross loaded weight owned and operated by ranchers or farmers in the transportation of their own ranch, farm, orchard, or dairy products from point of production to market, or of supplies, commodities, or equipment to be used on the ranch, farm, orchard, or dairy, or in the infrequent or seasonal transportation by one farmer for another for any purpose other than commercial hire of products of the farm, orchard, or dairy, or of supplies or commodities to be used on the farm, orchard, or dairy, and on one truck tractor and



lowboy trailer used by contractors engaged exclusively in soil conservation work and land leveling activities that result in direct benefit to agriculture. However, the minimum fee so paid shall be \$6. The-terms-"trailers-and semitrailers"-as-used-herein-shall-not-include-farm-wagons-"

NEW SECTION. Section 2. Extension of authority. Any existing authority of the department of highways to make rules on the subject of the provisions of this act is extended to the provisions of this act.

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In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB169, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Removes trailers and semi-trailers from the 16% Special Farm GVW category. It also removes trucks exceeding 46,000 pounds from this GVW category.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. There are 1,630 trailers and 847 power units that would be affected by this legislation. Assume this stays constant through FY89.
- 2. All vehicles affected are assumed to be paying 16% GVW fees now.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures:

N/A -

Revenues:	FY88			FY89		
	Current Law \$ 214,682	Proposed <u>Law</u> \$1,341,761	Difference \$1,127,079	Current Law \$ 214,682	Proposed <u>Law</u> \$1,341,761	Difference \$1,127,079
Funding: Highway State Specia	1 Revenue		\$1,127,079			\$1,127,079

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

Currently counties retain 5% of GVW fees they collect. This legislation would increase county revenues \$56,354.

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

N/A

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS IN PROPOSED LEGISLATION OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION: N/A

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Fiscal Note for HB169, as introduced.

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