

H. B. No. 630
As Introduced

_____ moved to amend as follows:

In line 1 of the title, delete "section" and insert "sections 1
4511.051 and"; after "4513.34" insert "and to enact section 4513.341" 2

In line 4 of the title, after "produce" insert "and the operation of 3
farm equipment and machinery on limited access highways and freeways" 4

In line 5, delete "section" and insert "sections 4511.051 and"; 5
after "4513.34" insert "be amended and section 4513.341" 6

In line 6, delete "amended" and insert "enacted" 7

After line 6, insert: 8

"Sec. 4511.051. (A) No person, unless otherwise directed 9
by a police officer, shall: 10

(1) As a pedestrian, occupy any space within the limits of 11
the right-of-way of a freeway, except: in a rest area; on a 12
facility that is separated from the roadway and shoulders of the 13
freeway and is designed and appropriately marked for pedestrian 14
use; in the performance of public works or official duties; as a 15
result of an emergency caused by an accident or breakdown of a 16



motor vehicle; or to obtain assistance; 17

(2) Occupy any space within the limits of the right-of-way 18
of a freeway, with: an animal-drawn vehicle; a ridden or led 19
animal; herded animals; a pushcart; a bicycle, except on a 20
facility that is separated from the roadway and shoulders of the 21
freeway and is designed and appropriately marked for bicycle 22
use; an electric bicycle; a bicycle with motor attached; a motor 23
driven cycle with a motor which produces not to exceed five 24
brake horsepower; ~~an agricultural tractor; farm machinery;~~ 25
except in the performance of public works or official duties; 26

(3) Occupy any space within the limits of the right-of-way 27
of a freeway with an agricultural tractor or farm machinery 28
unless that person is issued a permit in accordance with section 29
4513.341 of the Revised Code. 30

(B) Except as otherwise provided in this division, whoever 31
violates this section is guilty of a minor misdemeanor. If, 32
within one year of the offense, the offender previously has been 33
convicted of or pleaded guilty to one predicate motor vehicle or 34
traffic offense, whoever violates this section is guilty of a 35
misdemeanor of the fourth degree. If, within one year of the 36
offense, the offender previously has been convicted of two or 37
more predicate motor vehicle or traffic offenses, whoever 38
violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor of the third 39
degree. 40

If the offender commits the offense while distracted and 41
the distracting activity is a contributing factor to the 42
commission of the offense, the offender is subject to the 43
additional fine established under section 4511.991 of the 44
Revised Code." 45

After line 226, insert: 46

"Sec. 4513.341. (A) In addition to the permits issued in accordance with section 4513.34 of the Revised Code, the director of transportation, upon application in writing and payment of the permit fee, shall issue an annual permit authorizing an applicant to operate or move farm machinery or farm equipment on any limited access highway or freeway under the jurisdiction of the department of transportation, other than an interstate highway.

(B) The director shall prescribe both of the following:

(1) The form and manner of the application for a permit issued under this section;

(2) A permit fee to be imposed and collected when a permit is issued under this section. The permit fee shall not exceed one hundred dollars.

(C) The director, in consultation with the superintendent of the state highway patrol, may limit or prescribe conditions of operation, including route restrictions, for the farm machinery or farm equipment on the limited access highway or freeway.

(D) No person shall knowingly violate the terms of a permit issued under this section, including any limitations, conditions, or route restrictions specified on the permit, except upon order of a law enforcement officer or an authorized agent of the department.

(E) A permit holder shall ensure that a permit issued under this section is carried in the farm machinery or farm equipment to which it refers and that it is open to inspection by any law enforcement officer or authorized agent of the department.

(F) A local authority may issue a permit authorizing a person to operate or move farm machinery or farm equipment on a limited access highway or freeway under its jurisdiction, other than an interstate highway. The local authority may establish any fees, limitations, conditions, or route restrictions it considers necessary for such a permit."

In line 227, delete "section" and insert "sections 4511.051 and"

In line 228, delete "is" and insert "are"

After line 228, insert:

"Section 3. Section 4511.051 of the Revised Code is presented in this act as a composite of the section as amended by both H.B. 95 and H.B. 250 of the 132nd General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of simultaneous operation, finds that the composite is the resulting version of the section in effect prior to the effective date of the section as presented in this act. "

The motion was _____ agreed to.

SYNOPSIS

Farm machinery on freeways and limited access highways

R.C. 4511.051 and 4513.341

Requires the Director of Transportation to issue an annual permit authorizing a person to operate farm machinery or farm

equipment on a limited access highway or freeway under the	99
jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation, other than an	100
interstate highway. (Under current law, such operation is	101
prohibited unless directed by a police officer.)	102
Requires the Director to prescribe a fee up to \$100 for	103
issuance of the permit.	104
Authorizes the Director to place limitations, conditions,	105
and route restrictions on the permit.	106
Prohibits a person from violating any of the terms of a	107
permit unless ordered to do so by law enforcement or an	108
authorized agent of the Department of Transportation.	109
Authorizes a local authority to issue a similar permit if	110
the limited access highway or freeway, other than an interstate	111
highway, is under the local authority's jurisdiction.	112