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Senator Bill Stouffer Announces Passage of Major Transportation Legislation

HB 683 Improves Several Parts of Existing Law Vital to Rural Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY — State Sen. Bill Stouffer, R-Napton, says provisions included in <u>Senate Bill 58</u> have been wrapped into a House transportation bill that now sits on the governor's desk.

"Sometimes, you have to work your ideas into somebody else's proposal in order to get something to move," Sen. Stouffer said. "We had a good bill, the House had a good bill, and in the end we were able to put all of our ideas together to make a great bill."

<u>House Bill 683</u> covers several aspects of existing transportation-related laws. It requires proof of insurance before a person can get a temporary license plate. It allows people to pay sales taxes on a new vehicle purchase at the dealership instead of having to go to the nearest license office. The bill changes the current 100 mile radius for driving a farm vehicle without a commercial driver's license (CDL) to 150 miles. House Bill 683, advanced in the Senate by Sen. Stouffer, also exempts tractors driven in tractor parades from certain regulations; allows golf carts and motorized wheelchairs to be driven on city streets, if city code permits it; and allows motorcycle or bicycle riders to turn left on a red light in certain situations.

"This is a common sense proposal," Sen. Stouffer said. "There are several changes being made that will benefit folks throughout rural Missouri mixed in with ideas that will benefit everybody in the state. This is probably one of the better bills we've passed this year."

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