## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## SENATE BILL NO. 1298

## 102ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR BEAN.

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## **AN ACT**

To repeal sections 301.010 and 307.010, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to cotton trailers, with existing penalty provisions.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

- Section A. Sections 301.010 and 307.010, RSMo, are
- 2 repealed and two new sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be
- 3 known as sections 301.010 and 307.010, to read as follows:
  - 301.010. As used in this chapter and sections 304.010
- 2 to 304.040, 304.120 to 304.260, and sections 307.010 to
- 3 307.175, the following terms mean:
- 4 (1) "All-terrain vehicle", any motorized vehicle
- 5 manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway use, with
- 6 an unladen dry weight of one thousand five hundred pounds or
- 7 less, traveling on three, four or more nonhighway tires,
- 8 with either:
- 9 (a) A seat designed to be straddled by the operator,
- 10 and handlebars for steering control, but excluding an
- 11 electric bicycle; or
- 12 (b) A width of fifty inches or less, measured from
- 13 outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim, regardless of
- 14 seating or steering arrangement;
- 15 (2) "Autocycle", a three-wheeled motor vehicle which
- 16 the drivers and passengers ride in a partially or completely
- 17 enclosed nonstraddle seating area, that is designed to be
- 18 controlled with a steering wheel and pedals, and that has

EXPLANATION-Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

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19 met applicable Department of Transportation National Highway

- 20 Traffic Safety Administration requirements or federal
- 21 motorcycle safety standards;
- 22 (3) "Automobile transporter", any vehicle combination
- 23 capable of carrying cargo on the power unit and designed and
- 24 used for the transport of assembled motor vehicles,
- 25 including truck camper units;
- 26 (4) "Axle load", the total load transmitted to the
- 27 road by all wheels whose centers are included between two
- 28 parallel transverse vertical planes forty inches apart,
- 29 extending across the full width of the vehicle;
- 30 (5) "Backhaul", the return trip of a vehicle
- 31 transporting cargo or general freight, especially when
- 32 carrying goods back over all or part of the same route;
- 33 (6) "Boat transporter", any vehicle combination
- 34 capable of carrying cargo on the power unit and designed and
- 35 used specifically to transport assembled boats and boat
- 36 hulls. Boats may be partially disassembled to facilitate
- 37 transporting;
- 38 (7) "Body shop", a business that repairs physical
- 39 damage on motor vehicles that are not owned by the shop or
- 40 its officers or employees by mending, straightening,
- 41 replacing body parts, or painting;
- 42 (8) "Bus", a motor vehicle primarily for the
- 43 transportation of a driver and eight or more passengers but
- 44 not including shuttle buses;
- 45 (9) "Commercial motor vehicle", a motor vehicle
- 46 designed or regularly used for carrying freight and
- 47 merchandise, or more than eight passengers but not including
- 48 vanpools or shuttle buses;
- 49 (10) "Cotton trailer", a trailer designed and used
- 50 exclusively for transporting cotton at speeds less than

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51 [forty] sixty-five miles per hour from field to field or

- 52 from field to market and return;
- 53 (11) "Dealer", any person, firm, corporation,
- 54 association, agent or subagent engaged in the sale or
- 55 exchange of new, used or reconstructed motor vehicles or
- 56 trailers;
- 57 (12) "Director" or "director of revenue", the director
- of the department of revenue;
- 59 (13) "Driveaway operation":
- 60 (a) The movement of a motor vehicle or trailer by any
- 61 person or motor carrier other than a dealer over any public
- 62 highway, under its own power singly, or in a fixed
- 63 combination of two or more vehicles, for the purpose of
- 64 delivery for sale or for delivery either before or after
- 65 sale;
- 66 (b) The movement of any vehicle or vehicles, not owned
- 67 by the transporter, constituting the commodity being
- 68 transported, by a person engaged in the business of
- 69 furnishing drivers and operators for the purpose of
- 70 transporting vehicles in transit from one place to another
- 71 by the driveaway or towaway methods; or
- 72 (c) The movement of a motor vehicle by any person who
- 73 is lawfully engaged in the business of transporting or
- 74 delivering vehicles that are not the person's own and
- 75 vehicles of a type otherwise required to be registered, by
- 76 the driveaway or towaway methods, from a point of
- 77 manufacture, assembly or distribution or from the owner of
- 78 the vehicles to a dealer or sales agent of a manufacturer or
- 79 to any consignee designated by the shipper or consignor;
- 80 (14) "Dromedary", a box, deck, or plate mounted behind
- 81 the cab and forward of the fifth wheel on the frame of the
- 82 power unit of a truck tractor-semitrailer combination. A

83 truck tractor equipped with a dromedary may carry part of a

84 load when operating independently or in a combination with a

- 85 semitrailer;
- 86 (15) "Electric bicycle", a bicycle equipped with fully
- 87 operable pedals, a saddle or seat for the rider, and an
- 88 electric motor of less than 750 watts that meets the
- 89 requirements of one of the following three classes:
- 90 (a) "Class 1 electric bicycle", an electric bicycle
- 91 equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the
- 92 rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when
- 93 the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty miles per hour;
- 94 (b) "Class 2 electric bicycle", an electric bicycle
- 95 equipped with a motor that may be used exclusively to propel
- 96 the bicycle and that is not capable of providing assistance
- 97 when the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty miles per hour;
- 98 or
- 99 (c) "Class 3 electric bicycle", an electric bicycle
- 100 equipped with a motor that provides assistance only when the
- 101 rider is pedaling and that ceases to provide assistance when
- 102 the bicycle reaches the speed of twenty-eight miles per hour;
- 103 (16) "Farm tractor", a tractor used exclusively for
- 104 agricultural purposes;
- 105 (17) "Fleet", any group of ten or more motor vehicles
- 106 owned by the same owner;
- 107 (18) "Fleet vehicle", a motor vehicle which is
- 108 included as part of a fleet;
- 109 (19) "Fullmount", a vehicle mounted completely on the
- 110 frame of either the first or last vehicle in a saddlemount
- 111 combination;
- 112 (20) "Gross weight", the weight of vehicle and/or
- 113 vehicle combination without load, plus the weight of any
- 114 load thereon;

115 (21) "Hail-damaged vehicle", any vehicle, the body of 116 which has become dented as the result of the impact of hail;

- 117 (22) "Highway", any public thoroughfare for vehicles,
- 118 including state roads, county roads and public streets,
- 119 avenues, boulevards, parkways or alleys in any municipality;
- 120 (23) "Improved highway", a highway which has been
- 121 paved with gravel, macadam, concrete, brick or asphalt, or
- surfaced in such a manner that it shall have a hard, smooth
- 123 surface;
- 124 (24) "Intersecting highway", any highway which joins
- another, whether or not it crosses the same;
- 126 (25) "Junk vehicle", a vehicle which:
- 127 (a) Is incapable of operation or use upon the highways
- 128 and has no resale value except as a source of parts or
- 129 scrap; or
- 130 (b) Has been designated as junk or a substantially
- 131 equivalent designation by this state or any other state;
- 132 (26) "Kit vehicle", a motor vehicle assembled by a
- 133 person other than a generally recognized manufacturer of
- motor vehicles by the use of a glider kit or replica
- 135 purchased from an authorized manufacturer and accompanied by
- 136 a manufacturer's statement of origin;
- 137 (27) "Land improvement contractors' commercial motor
- 138 vehicle", any not-for-hire commercial motor vehicle the
- 139 operation of which is confined to:
- 140 (a) An area that extends not more than a radius of one
- 141 hundred fifty miles from its home base of operations when
- 142 transporting its owner's machinery, equipment, or auxiliary
- 143 supplies to or from projects involving soil and water
- 144 conservation, or to and from equipment dealers' maintenance
- 145 facilities for maintenance purposes; or

(b) An area that extends not more than a radius of
fifty miles from its home base of operations when
transporting its owner's machinery, equipment, or auxiliary
supplies to or from projects not involving soil and water
conservation.

Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to prevent any motor vehicle from being registered as a commercial motor vehicle or local commercial motor vehicle;

- motor vehicle whose operations are confined to a municipality and that area extending not more than fifty miles therefrom, or a commercial motor vehicle whose property-carrying operations are confined solely to the transportation of property owned by any person who is the owner or operator of such vehicle to or from a farm owned by such person or under the person's control by virtue of a landlord and tenant lease; provided that any such property transported to any such farm is for use in the operation of such farm;
- "Local log truck", a commercial motor vehicle (29)which is registered pursuant to this chapter to operate as a motor vehicle on the public highways of this state; used exclusively in this state; used to transport harvested forest products; operated solely at a forested site and in an area extending not more than a one hundred fifty mile radius from such site; and when operated on the national system of interstate and defense highways described in 23 U.S.C. Section 103, as amended, or outside the one hundred fifty mile radius from such site with an extended distance local log truck permit, does not have more than four axles, and does not pull a trailer which has more than three

177 axles. Harvesting equipment which is used specifically for

178 cutting, felling, trimming, delimbing, debarking, chipping,

- 179 skidding, loading, unloading, and stacking may be
- 180 transported on a local log truck;
- 181 (30) "Local log truck tractor", a commercial motor
- 182 vehicle which is registered under this chapter to operate as
- a motor vehicle on the public highways of this state; used
- 184 exclusively in this state; used to transport harvested
- 185 forest products, operated at a forested site and in an area
- 186 extending not more than a one hundred fifty mile radius from
- 187 such site; and when operated on the national system of
- interstate and defense highways described in 23 U.S.C.
- 189 Section 103, as amended, or outside the one hundred fifty
- 190 mile radius from such site with an extended distance local
- 191 log truck permit, does not have more than three axles and
- 192 does not pull a trailer which has more than three axles;
- 193 (31) "Local transit bus", a bus whose operations are
- 194 confined wholly within a municipal corporation, or wholly
- 195 within a municipal corporation and a commercial zone, as
- 196 defined in section 390.020, adjacent thereto, forming a part
- 197 of a public transportation system within such municipal
- 198 corporation and such municipal corporation and adjacent
- 199 commercial zone;
- 200 (32) "Log truck", a vehicle which is not a local log
- 201 truck or local log truck tractor and is used exclusively to
- 202 transport harvested forest products to and from forested
- 203 sites which is registered pursuant to this chapter to
- 204 operate as a motor vehicle on the public highways of this
- 205 state for the transportation of harvested forest products;
- 206 (33) "Major component parts", the rear clip, cowl,
- 207 frame, body, cab, front-end assembly, and front clip, as

those terms are defined by the director of revenue pursuant to rules and regulations or by illustrations;

- 210 (34) "Manufacturer", any person, firm, corporation or 211 association engaged in the business of manufacturing or 212 assembling motor vehicles, trailers or vessels for sale;
- 213 (35) "Motor change vehicle", a vehicle manufactured
  214 prior to August, 1957, which receives a new, rebuilt or used
  215 engine, and which used the number stamped on the original
  216 engine as the vehicle identification number;
- 217 (36) "Motor vehicle", any self-propelled vehicle not 218 operated exclusively upon tracks, except farm tractors and 219 electric bicycles;
- vehicle other than a recreational motor vehicle, motorcycle, motortricycle, or any commercial motor vehicle licensed for over twelve thousand pounds:
- (a) Offered for hire or lease; or
- 227 (38) "Motorcycle", a motor vehicle operated on two wheels;
- 230 Wheeled device having an automatic transmission and a motor
  231 With a cylinder capacity of not more than fifty cubic
  232 centimeters, which produces less than three gross brake
  233 horsepower, and is capable of propelling the device at a
  234 maximum speed of not more than thirty miles per hour on
  235 level ground, but excluding an electric bicycle;
- 236 (40) "Motortricycle", a motor vehicle upon which the 237 operator straddles or sits astride that is designed to be 238 controlled by handle bars and is operated on three wheels, 239 including a motorcycle while operated with any conveyance,

240 temporary or otherwise, requiring the use of a third wheel,

- 241 but excluding an electric bicycle. A motortricycle shall
- 242 not be included in the definition of all-terrain vehicle;
- 243 (41) "Municipality", any city, town or village,
- 244 whether incorporated or not;
- 245 (42) "Nonresident", a resident of a state or country
- other than the state of Missouri;
- 247 (43) "Non-USA-std motor vehicle", a motor vehicle not
- 248 originally manufactured in compliance with United States
- 249 emissions or safety standards;
- 250 (44) "Operator", any person who operates or drives a
- 251 motor vehicle;
- 252 (45) "Owner", any person, firm, corporation or
- 253 association, who holds the legal title to a vehicle or who
- 254 has executed a buyer's order or retail installment sales
- 255 contract with a motor vehicle dealer licensed under sections
- 256 301.550 to 301.580 for the purchase of a vehicle with an
- 257 immediate right of possession vested in the transferee, or
- 258 in the event a vehicle is the subject of an agreement for
- 259 the conditional sale or lease thereof with the right of
- 260 purchase upon performance of the conditions stated in the
- 261 agreement and with an immediate right of possession vested
- 262 in the conditional vendee or lessee, or in the event a
- 263 mortgagor of a vehicle is entitled to possession, then such
- 264 conditional vendee or lessee or mortgagor shall be deemed
- 265 the owner;
- 266 (46) "Public garage", a place of business where motor
- vehicles are housed, stored, repaired, reconstructed or
- 268 repainted for persons other than the owners or operators of
- 269 such place of business;
- 270 (47) "Rebuilder", a business that repairs or rebuilds
- 271 motor vehicles owned by the rebuilder, but does not include

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272 certificated common or contract carriers of persons or 273 property;

- 274 (48) "Reconstructed motor vehicle", a vehicle that is 275 altered from its original construction by the addition or 276 substitution of two or more new or used major component 277 parts, excluding motor vehicles made from all new parts, and 278 new multistage manufactured vehicles;
- 279 "Recreational motor vehicle", any motor vehicle 280 designed, constructed or substantially modified so that it 281 may be used and is used for the purposes of temporary 282 housing quarters, including therein sleeping and eating 283 facilities which are either permanently attached to the motor vehicle or attached to a unit which is securely 284 285 attached to the motor vehicle. Nothing herein shall prevent 286 any motor vehicle from being registered as a commercial 287 motor vehicle if the motor vehicle could otherwise be so 288 registered;
  - vehicle manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway use which is more than fifty inches but no more than eighty inches in width, measured from outside of tire rim to outside of tire rim, with an unladen dry weight of three thousand five hundred pounds or less, traveling on four or more nonhighway tires and which may have access to ATV trails:
- 297 (51) "Recreational trailer", any trailer designed,
  298 constructed, or substantially modified so that it may be
  299 used and is used for the purpose of temporary housing
  300 quarters, including therein sleeping or eating facilities,
  301 which can be temporarily attached to a motor vehicle or
  302 attached to a unit which is securely attached to a motor
  303 vehicle;

304 (52) "Rollback or car carrier", any vehicle
305 specifically designed to transport wrecked, disabled or
306 otherwise inoperable vehicles, when the transportation is
307 directly connected to a wrecker or towing service;

- "Saddlemount combination", a combination of 308 309 vehicles in which a truck or truck tractor tows one or more trucks or truck tractors, each connected by a saddle to the 310 311 frame or fifth wheel of the vehicle in front of it. "saddle" is a mechanism that connects the front axle of the 312 313 towed vehicle to the frame or fifth wheel of the vehicle in front and functions like a fifth wheel kingpin connection. 314 When two vehicles are towed in this manner the combination 315 is called a "double saddlemount combination". When three 316 vehicles are towed in this manner, the combination is called 317 a "triple saddlemount combination"; 318
- 319 (54) "Salvage dealer and dismantler", a business that 320 dismantles used motor vehicles for the sale of the parts 321 thereof, and buys and sells used motor vehicle parts and 322 accessories;
- 323 (55) "Salvage vehicle", a motor vehicle, semitrailer, 324 or house trailer which:
- Was damaged during a year that is no more than six 325 years after the manufacturer's model year designation for 326 327 such vehicle to the extent that the total cost of repairs to 328 rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle to its condition 329 immediately before it was damaged for legal operation on the 330 roads or highways exceeds eighty percent of the fair market value of the vehicle immediately preceding the time it was 331 332 damaged;
- 333 (b) By reason of condition or circumstance, has been 334 declared salvage, either by its owner, or by a person, firm,

corporation, or other legal entity exercising the right of security interest in it;

- 337 (c) Has been declared salvage by an insurance company 338 as a result of settlement of a claim;
- (d) Ownership of which is evidenced by a salvage title; or
- Is abandoned property which is titled pursuant to 341 (e)342 section 304.155 or section 304.157 and designated with the 343 words "salvage/abandoned property". The total cost of 344 repairs to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle shall not include the cost of repairing, replacing, or reinstalling 345 inflatable safety restraints, tires, sound systems, or 346 damage as a result of hail, or any sales tax on parts or 347 materials to rebuild or reconstruct the vehicle. For 348 349 purposes of this definition, "fair market value" means the 350 retail value of a motor vehicle as:
- a. Set forth in a current edition of any nationally recognized compilation of retail values, including automated databases, or from publications commonly used by the automotive and insurance industries to establish the values of motor vehicles;
- b. Determined pursuant to a market survey ofcomparable vehicles with regard to condition and equipment;and
- 359 c. Determined by an insurance company using any other 360 procedure recognized by the insurance industry, including 361 market surveys, that is applied by the company in a uniform 362 manner;
- 363 (56) "School bus", any motor vehicle used solely to
  364 transport students to or from school or to transport
  365 students to or from any place for educational purposes;

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366 (57) "Scrap processor", a business that, through the 367 use of fixed or mobile equipment, flattens, crushes, or 368 otherwise accepts motor vehicles and vehicle parts for 369 processing or transportation to a shredder or scrap metal 370 operator for recycling;

- (58) "Shuttle bus", a motor vehicle used or maintained by any person, firm, or corporation as an incidental service to transport patrons or customers of the regular business of such person, firm, or corporation to and from the place of business of the person, firm, or corporation providing the service at no fee or charge. Shuttle buses shall not be registered as buses or as commercial motor vehicles;
- (59)"Special mobile equipment", every self-propelled vehicle not designed or used primarily for the transportation of persons or property and incidentally operated or moved over the highways, including farm equipment, implements of husbandry, road construction or maintenance machinery, ditch-digging apparatus, stone crushers, air compressors, power shovels, cranes, graders, rollers, well-drillers and wood-sawing equipment used for hire, asphalt spreaders, bituminous mixers, bucket loaders, ditchers, leveling graders, finished machines, motor graders, road rollers, scarifiers, earth-moving carryalls, scrapers, drag lines, concrete pump trucks, rock-drilling and earth-moving equipment. This enumeration shall be deemed partial and shall not operate to exclude other such vehicles which are within the general terms of this section;
- (60) "Specially constructed motor vehicle", a motor vehicle which shall not have been originally constructed under a distinctive name, make, model or type by a manufacturer of motor vehicles. The term specially constructed motor vehicle includes kit vehicles;

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398 "Stinger-steered combination", a truck tractor-399 semitrailer wherein the fifth wheel is located on a drop frame located behind and below the rearmost axle of the 400 power unit; 401

- (62) "Tandem axle", a group of two or more axles, 402 403 arranged one behind another, the distance between the extremes of which is more than forty inches and not more 404 405 than ninety-six inches apart;
- 406 "Towaway trailer transporter combination", a 407 combination of vehicles consisting of a trailer transporter towing unit and two trailers or semitrailers, with a total 408 weight that does not exceed twenty-six thousand pounds; and 409 in which the trailers or semitrailers carry no property and 410 constitute inventory property of a manufacturer, 411 412 distributer, or dealer of such trailers or semitrailers;
- 413 "Tractor", "truck tractor" or "truck-tractor", a 414 self-propelled motor vehicle designed for drawing other vehicles, but not for the carriage of any load when 415 operating independently. When attached to a semitrailer, it
- supports a part of the weight thereof; 417

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(65) "Trailer", any vehicle without motive power 418 designed for carrying property or passengers on its own 419 420 structure and for being drawn by a self-propelled vehicle, 421 except those running exclusively on tracks, including a 422 semitrailer or vehicle of the trailer type so designed and used in conjunction with a self-propelled vehicle that a 423 considerable part of its own weight rests upon and is 424 carried by the towing vehicle. The term trailer shall not 425 include cotton trailers as defined in this section and shall 426 427 not include manufactured homes as defined in section 700.010;

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428 (66) "Trailer transporter towing unit", a power unit
429 that is not used to carry property when operating in a
430 towaway trailer transporter combination;

- 431 (67) "Truck", a motor vehicle designed, used, or 432 maintained for the transportation of property;
- 433 "Truck-tractor semitrailer-semitrailer", a combination vehicle in which the two trailing units are 434 435 connected with a B-train assembly which is a rigid frame 436 extension attached to the rear frame of a first semitrailer 437 which allows for a fifth-wheel connection point for the second semitrailer and has one less articulation point than 438 the conventional A-dolly connected truck-tractor semitrailer-439 trailer combination; 440
- 441 (69) "Truck-trailer boat transporter combination", a
  442 boat transporter combination consisting of a straight truck
  443 towing a trailer using typically a ball and socket
  444 connection with the trailer axle located substantially at
  445 the trailer center of gravity rather than the rear of the
  446 trailer but so as to maintain a downward force on the
  447 trailer tongue;
  - (70) "Used parts dealer", a business that buys and sells used motor vehicle parts or accessories, but not including a business that sells only new, remanufactured or rebuilt parts. Business does not include isolated sales at a swap meet of less than three days;
- 453 (71) "Utility vehicle", any motorized vehicle
  454 manufactured and used exclusively for off-highway use which
  455 is more than fifty inches but no more than eighty inches in
  456 width, measured from outside of tire rim to outside of tire
  457 rim, with an unladen dry weight of three thousand five
  458 hundred pounds or less, traveling on four or six wheels, to

be used primarily for landscaping, lawn care, or maintenance purposes;

- "Vanpool", any van or other motor vehicle used or 461 (72)maintained by any person, group, firm, corporation, 462 association, city, county or state agency, or any member 463 464 thereof, for the transportation of not less than eight nor more than forty-eight employees, per motor vehicle, to and 465 466 from their place of employment; however, a vanpool shall not 467 be included in the definition of the term bus or commercial 468 motor vehicle as defined in this section, nor shall a vanpool driver be deemed a chauffeur as that term is defined 469 by section 303.020; nor shall use of a vanpool vehicle for 470 ride-sharing arrangements, recreational, personal, or 471 472 maintenance uses constitute an unlicensed use of the motor 473 vehicle, unless used for monetary profit other than for use 474 in a ride-sharing arrangement;
- designed primarily for use, or used, on highways, except
  motorized bicycles, electric bicycles, vehicles propelled or
  drawn by horses or human power, or vehicles used exclusively
  on fixed rails or tracks, or cotton trailers or motorized
  wheelchairs operated by handicapped persons;
- 481 (74) "Wrecker" or "tow truck", any emergency
  482 commercial vehicle equipped, designed and used to assist or
  483 render aid and transport or tow disabled or wrecked vehicles
  484 from a highway, road, street or highway rights-of-way to a
  485 point of storage or repair, including towing a replacement
  486 vehicle to replace a disabled or wrecked vehicle;
- 487 (75) "Wrecker or towing service", the act of
  488 transporting, towing or recovering with a wrecker, tow
  489 truck, rollback or car carrier any vehicle not owned by the
  490 operator of the wrecker, tow truck, rollback or car carrier

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for which the operator directly or indirectly receives compensation or other personal gain.

307.010. 1. All motor vehicles, and every trailer and 2 semitrailer operating upon the public highways of this state 3 and carrying goods or material or farm products which may 4 reasonably be expected to become dislodged and fall from the vehicle, trailer or semitrailer as a result of wind pressure 5 6 or air pressure and/or by the movement of the vehicle, 7 trailer or semitrailer shall have a protective cover or be 8 sufficiently secured so that no portion of such goods or material can become dislodged and fall from the vehicle, 9 trailer or semitrailer while being transported or carried. 10

- 2. A cotton trailer, as defined in section 301.010, shall not be in violation of this section, provided it is traveling at speeds less than sixty-five miles per hour from field to field or from field to market and return, and no portion of such goods or material becomes dislodged and falls from the cotton trailer.
- 3. Operation of a motor vehicle, trailer or semitrailer in violation of this section shall be a class C misdemeanor, and any person convicted thereof shall be punished as provided by law.

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