

House Bill 579

By: Representatives McCall of the 33rd, Dickey of the 140th, Taylor of the 173rd, England of the 116th, Roberts of the 155th, and others

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, so as to provide for the
3 operation of certain vehicles upon the highways when used in connection with agricultural
4 pursuits; to provide for conditions; to provide for related matters; to repeal conflicting laws;
5 and for other purposes.

6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

7 **SECTION 1.**

8 Article 1 of Chapter 6 of Title 40 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
9 general provisions regarding uniform rules of the road, is amended by adding a new Code
10 section to read as follows:

11 "40-6-18.

12 (a) As used in this Code section, the term 'farm vehicle' means an all-terrain vehicle, golf
13 cart, low-speed vehicle, moped, multipurpose off-highway vehicle, or personal
14 transportation vehicle.

15 (b) Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary, any person 18 years of age or
16 older may operate a farm vehicle on a public road, street, or highway of this state when
17 such operation is connected with agricultural pursuits that are upon a tract of land, when
18 such operation occurs within 4,000 feet of the perimeter of such land, and when such farm
19 vehicle has an emblem, the standards for which shall be as provided for under Code
20 Section 40-8-4. A person operating a farm vehicle pursuant to this Code section shall be
21 granted all the rights and shall be subject to all the duties applicable to the driver of any
22 other vehicle under this chapter."

23 **SECTION 2.**

24 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.