

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
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SENATE BILL 355

Short Title: Planting and Harvesting Dates. (Public)

Sponsors: Senators Rabon (Primary Sponsor); Jackson, Newton, and Walters.

Referred to: Transportation.

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1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO CLARIFY THE MEANING OF THE TERMS "PLANTING AND  
3 HARVESTING SEASON" AND "PLANTING AND HARVESTING PERIOD" FOR  
4 PURPOSES OF APPLYING FEDERAL LAWS OR REGULATIONS RELATING TO  
5 HOURS-OF-SERVICE RULES FOR CERTAIN DRIVERS TRANSPORTING  
6 AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 20-381 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:  
9 **"§ 20-381. Specific powers and duties of Department of Public Safety applicable to motor**  
10 **carriers; agricultural exemption.**

11 ...  
12 (c) For purposes of 49 C.F.R § 395.1(k)(2) and any other federal law or regulation  
13 relating to hours-of-service rules for drivers engaged in the transportation of agricultural  
14 commodities and farm supplies for agricultural purposes, the terms "planting and harvesting  
15 season" and "planting and harvesting period" refer to the period from January 1 through  
16 December 31 of each year."

17 **SECTION 2.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

