

BILL ANALYSIS

H.B. 943
By: Krusee
Transportation
Committee Report (Unamended)

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE

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This bill would expand the types of vehicles available for conservation plates and would open up a large potential customer base.

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2. Vehicles primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational camping or travel use, including travel trailers, travel semi trailers, camping trailers, camping semi trailers, and motor homes
3. Farm tractors, farm trailers, and farm semi trailers
4. Truck-tractor, semi trailers, and commercial motor vehicles.

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