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The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 773 amends and clarified Nebraska's law on what types of farm implements must be titled, licensed and what weight may be carried by these farm implements. Current law exempts from titling and registration of motor vehicles certain types of farm implements including:
". . Self-propelled equipment designed and used exclusively to carry and apply fertilizer, chemicals, or related product to agriculture soil and crops, agriculture floater-spreader implement defined in section 60-6294.01 and other implements of husbandry designed for and used primarily for tilling the soil, and harvesting crops or feeding of live stock...'

LB 773 would clarify the existing definition by expressly adding a definition of manure spreading implements, to include specialized equipment, including specialized equipment mounted on a modified truck chassis, designed and used exclusively for this purpose. It is more economical to convert a truck for this purpose rather than purchase other types of self propelled spreaders. Trucks used for the feeding of livestock are considered exempt but the law is not clear about modified and specialized trucks that carry manure. Manure should be considered fertilizer or related product and a spreader mounted on a modified truck chassis is an implement used in the feeding of livestock. LB 773 would expressly clarity the existing law to exempt these implements from titling and licensing requirements.

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