## SECOND REGULAR SESSION

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 2542**

## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

## **AN ACT**

To amend chapter 569, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to tampering with farm equipment, with penalty provisions.

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

Section A. Chapter 569, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 569.092, to read as follows:

569.092. 1. A person commits the offense of tampering with farm equipment if he or she knowingly and without authorization or without reasonable grounds to believe that he or she has such authorization:

- (1) Defaces, marks, disturbs, or vandalizes any farm equipment owned by another;
- 5 (2) Modifies or destroys any component necessary to the operation of any farm 6 equipment owned by another; or
  - (3) Accesses and relocates any farm equipment owned by another.
- 8 2. The offense of tampering with farm equipment is a class A misdemeanor, unless 9 the offense causes pecuniary loss in excess of one thousand dollars, in which case it is a 10 class E felony.
  - 3. For the purposes of this section, the term "farm equipment" shall mean equipment including, but not limited to, tractors, trailers, combines, tillage implements, bailers, and other equipment, including attachments and repair parts thereof, used in the planting, cultivating, irrigation, harvesting, and marketing of agricultural products, excluding self-propelled machines designed primarily for the transportation of persons or

16 property on a street or highway.

