

on the hay...that when you're hauling the hay and then bringing it back, none of these vehicles go very far, comparatively. They aren't going clear across the state or...right?

SENATOR LAMB: Not ordinarily, although there could be a case where...

SENATOR CROSBY: That could happen. And it's only in daylight hours. I have read that...

SENATOR LAMB: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: ...you can't...at night those big ones can't go.

SENATOR LAMB: That's correct.

SENATOR CROSBY: And does that include interstate, all kinds of highways?

SENATOR LAMB: No, they're not...let's see, other than a freeway, you know, it's not on the interstate, it's not eligible.

SENATOR CROSBY: Yeah, okay. Thank you. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Coordsen, please, followed by Senator Peterson.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Yes, I have a bill, I think Senator Lamb explained it, in my district and I handed out a handout, if you're interested, that shows how current Nebraska law deviates from the federal guidelines for weights for actual distances. And it has to do with, in federal law, more than eight feet between axles and less than nine...and this is on a tandem axle trailer, you can haul up to 38,000 pounds. Nebraska has a half foot rule so that if your trailer is between eight and eight and a half feet in axle distance, you could haul only 34,000 pounds but if it was eight feet, six and one-tenth inches, you could haul 39,000 pounds. I had a manufacturer down there that was diversifying and got into the business of making semi-trailers and they have been quite successful at it, except that the trailer design and the axle components that were contracted for, they came up with a configuration of eight feet and five inches, so that under Nebraska law they could haul 34,000 pounds;