
**OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: GOVERNOR
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: **HB 1236**
DATE 3/15/02
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HB 1236

HB 1236 amends two current laws to increase the maximum width limitation from 8 ½ feet to 9 feet and the total overall length limitation from 40 feet to 50 feet for vehicles designed and constructed to transport raw cotton from harvest to the cotton gin whenever such vehicle is being operated within a radius of 50 miles of its home base or its contractual customer.

The Delta Council requested this bill. MDOT supports the bill and reported in the House Transportation Committee that this change is needed due to the size/dimensions of vehicles currently being produced to haul cotton. Newer models are 50 feet in length and violate the current length limit of 40 feet.

HB 1236 is effective July 1, 2002.

I recommend that you sign HB 1236.