

SB 16 -- CHILDREN WORKING ON FAMILY FARMS

This bill specifies that a child younger than 16 years of age may perform agriculture work, including operating power-driven machinery or motor vehicles; oiling, cleaning, maintaining, or washing machinery; using ladders, scaffolding, or other substitutes; and performing occupations involving exposure to any toxic or hazardous chemicals on a farm owned and operated by the child's parent, sibling, grandparent, or sibling of a parent or, if performed by the child with the knowledge and consent of the child's parent, on any family farm or family farm corporation. A child may not be allowed to engage in other activities prohibited in Section 294.040, RSMo.

A child working on a family farm may do so without obtaining a work certificate or work permit and is not subject to the limitations on the hours that he or she may work under Sections 294.030 and 294.045.