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## **Farming Operations Bill Passes the House Floor**

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** – Today, **HB 1601**/**SB 88** passed on the House Floor and will be sent to the Governor's desk. The bill, co-sponsored by **Representative Kevin Chambliss (D-Homestead)**, amends the Florida Right to Farm Act in order to protect reasonable agricultural activities that are conducted on farm land from nuisance lawsuits. The bill provides stronger liability protections to farms that comply with best management practice and environmental regulations. The Farming Operations bill will help agritourism and stimulate the economy in Florida, especially after the economic devastation many farmers have faced during the pandemic.

"As a representative who represents one of the poorest districts in Florida, I am thrilled that the House has chosen to protect communities like House District 117," said **Representative Kevin Chambliss (D-Homestead)**. "House District 117 is a rural community whose economy is heavily based on agriculture. By protecting agriculture, we also protect the workforce and the families that put food on our table every day. I am proud to have been an early co-sponsor of this bill."