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Legislation sponsored by Senator Bill Larkin (R-C, Cornwall-on-Hudson) to expand the state's farm trails, apple trails, and cuisine trails has been signed into law by Governor David Paterson.

The new law allows more producers to participate in the cuisine trails program. It expands the number of cuisine trails from five to ten and the number of apple trails from seven to ten. It also extends the length of the trails to 50 miles. In addition, the new law addresses the circumstances involved when the routes of two or more agricultural tourism trails or other scenic trails overlap on the same sections of certain roads.

"The state's apple, farm and cuisine trails have been very successful economic and tourism tools for Upstate," said Senator Larkin. "They showcase our superior agricultural products and help preserve the beauty of farmland and open space. I believe this new law will help create even more economic development opportunities for local growers in the Hudson Valley and throughout the state."

The bill becomes Chapter 448 of the Laws of 2008.