

FINAL BILL REPORT

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning the use of a nonhighway vehicle on certain nonhighway roads or trails that are restricted to pedestrian or animal travel.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Parks, Fish & Wildlife (originally sponsored by Senators Parlette, Doumit, Benton, Mulliken, Schmidt and Honeyford).

Senate Committee on Parks, Fish & Wildlife
House Committee on Fisheries, Ecology & Parks

Background: State law governing use of off-road vehicles applies on lands under federal, as well as state, jurisdiction. Existing state law has been interpreted as preempting federal agencies from allowing use of off-road vehicles on some roads that the agencies would otherwise open to off-road vehicles under federal regulations.

Summary: Use of off-road vehicles is a traffic infraction on nonhighway roads or trails, if these are restricted to pedestrian or animal travel.

Votes on Final Passage:

Senate	49	0
House	97	0

Effective: July 27, 2003