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S.B. No. 1559

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the registration of all-terrain vehicles by the Texas Department of Transportation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 502.001(1), Transportation Code, is amended to read as follows:

(1) "All-terrain vehicle" means a motor vehicle that is ~~[not a golf cart and is]~~:

(A) equipped with a saddle ~~[or bench]~~ for the use of:

(i) the rider; and

(ii) a passenger, if the motor vehicle is designed by the manufacturer to transport a passenger;

(B) designed to propel itself with three or four ~~[more]~~ tires in contact with the ground;

(C) designed by the manufacturer for off-highway use by the operator only; and

(D) not designed by the manufacturer ~~[primarily]~~ for farming or lawn care.

SECTION 2. Section 29.005(a), Parks and Wildlife Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The department shall issue an off-highway vehicle decal ~~[to any person whose off-highway vehicle is registered under Section 502.006, Transportation Code,]~~ on the payment of the fee

1 under Section 29.003(b).

2 SECTION 3. Sections 502.006(c) and (d), 502.169, 502.205,
3 and 502.406, Transportation Code, are repealed.

4 SECTION 4. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives
5 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as
6 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this
7 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this
8 Act takes effect September 1, 2007.