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1 - 7COMMITTEE VOTE

1-8		Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
1-9	Hughes	X	-		
1-10	Paxton	X			
1-11	Bettencourt	X			
1-12	Birdwell	X			
1-13	Hall	X			
1-14	Hinojosa of Nueces	Х			
1-15	Middleton	X			
1-16	Parker	X			
1-17	Perry			X	
1-18	Schwertner			X	
1-19	Zaffirini	Х			

1-20 COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR H.B. No. 5624

By: Perrv

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED 1-21 1-22 AN ACT

1-23 relating to the liability of a motorized off-road vehicle entity 1-24 for injuries arising from certain activities.

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

SECTION 1. Title 4, Civil Practice and Remedies Code, is amended by adding Chapter 75E to read as follows:

CHAPTER 75E. LIMITED LIABILITY FOR MOTORIZED OFF-ROAD VEHICLE

ACTIVITIES

75E.001. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter: Sec.

"Motorized off-road vehicle" means any vehicle:

(A) with two to four wheels; (1)

(B) powered by a combustion engine or an electric

motor;

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1-57 1-58 (C) weighing 8,000 pounds or less; and

designed to drive on unpaved roads and

1-37 surfaces.

"Motorized off-road vehicle activity" means an (2)

activity involving motorized off-road vehicles at a motorized off-road vehicle area for recreational or educational purposes.

(3) "Motorized off-road vehicle activity participant" means an individual, other than an employee of a motorized off-road vehicle activity participant" vehicle entity, who engages in a motorized off-road vehicle activity. The term does not include a spectator of a motorized an vehicle activity unless the spectator enters off-road unauthorized area or intentionally places himself or herself immediate proximity to the activity.

(4) "Motorized off-road vehicle activity participant injury" means an injury sustained by a motorized off-road vehicle activity participant, including bodily injury, emotional distress, death, property damage, or any other loss arising from the person participation in a motorized off-road vehicle activity.

(5) "Motorized off-road vehicle area" means

commercial property designed to provide recreation or education related to driving a motorized off-road vehicle on unpaved roads or surfaces, including driving instruction, practices, competitions, or performances or group driving activities such as tours, hunts, or races.

1-59 "Motorized off-road vehicle entity" means an (6) individual or an entity, including an employee or a volunteer: 1-60

C.S.H.B. No. 5624 engaged in the business of owning, operating, 2-1 (A) or leasing a motorized off-road vehicle area; or 2-2 2-3 (B) sponsoring, sanctioning, endorsing, officiating a motorized off-road vehicle activity. 2 - 42**-**5

Sec. 75E.002. LIMITED LIABILITY. (a) Except as provided by Subsection (b), a motorized off-road vehicle entity is not liable to any person for a motorized off-road vehicle activity participant injury, if, at the time of the motorized off-road vehicle activity participant injury, the warning prescribed by Section 75E.003 was posted in accordance with that section.

(b) This section does not limit liability for an injury:

(1) proximately caused by:

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the motorized off-road vehicle entity's: (A)

(i) gross negligence or intentional misconduct with regard to the safety of the motorized off-road vehicle area or the motorized off-road vehicle activity participant; or

(ii) negligence with regard to a motorized off-road vehicle or related equipment provided by the entity to the participant;

a potentially dangerous condition at (B) motorized off-road vehicle area, other than a potentially dangerous condition inherent to driving a vehicle in a motorized off-road vehicle area, including unstable roads, surfaces, or subsurfaces or natural or man-made obstacles, of which the motorized off-road vehicle entity knew or reasonably should have known; or

(C) the motorized off-road vehicle entity's failure to train or improper training of an employee of the motorized off-road vehicle entity actively involved in the motorized off-road vehicle area or a motorized off-road activity; or

(2) intentionally caused by the motorized off-road vehicle entity.

(c) The doctrine of attractive nuisance does not apply to a claim made by a person for an injury that occurred in a motorized off-road vehicle area.

Sec. 75E.003. POSTED WARNING. For the purposes limitation of liability under Section 75E.002(a), a motorized off-road vehicle entity must post and maintain a sign in a clearly visible location at an entrance to a motorized off-road vehicle area. The sign must contain the following language:

WARNING

TEXAS LAW (CHAPTER 75E, CIVIL PRACTICE AND REMEDIES CODE) LIMITS
THE LIABILITY OF A MOTORIZED OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ENTITY FOR INJURIES
OR DEATH OF A MOTORIZED OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ACTIVITY PARTICIPANT
RESULTING FROM A MOTORIZED OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ACTIVITY.

SECTION 2. The change in law made by this Act applies only to a cause of action that accrues on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2025.

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