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HOUSE BILL 1173

Short Title: All-Terrain Vehicles Regulated.

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Sponsors: Representatives Miller; and Bowman.

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Referred to: Judiciary.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THREE-WHEEL OR FOUR-WHEEL ALL-TERRAIN  
VEHICLES FROM BEING OPERATED ON STREETS AND PUBLIC  
VEHICULAR AREAS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

**"§ 20-140.5. Special provisions for all-terrain vehicles.**

(a) No person shall operate a three-wheel or four-wheel motor vehicle, designed for operation off the road and commonly known as an 'all-terrain vehicle', on any street, highway, or public vehicular area.

(b) It shall be a defense to this charge that the operator can show that the all-terrain motor vehicle was properly registered and can show 'proof of financial responsibility' as defined in G.S. 20-179.1(11) covering the all-terrain motor vehicle when it was operated.

(c) Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to vehicles which are specifically exempted from registration by the provisions of G.S. 20-51."

Sec. 2. This act shall become effective October 1, 1989.