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AN ACT to amend the vehicle and traffic law, in relation to the definition of an all terrain vehicle or "ATV"

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1     Section 1. Subdivision 1 of section 2281 of the vehicle and traffic  
2 law, as amended by chapter 319 of the laws of 1997, is amended to read  
3 as follows:  
4     1. (a) "All terrain vehicle" or "ATV" means (I) any self-propelled  
5 vehicle which is manufactured for sale for operation primarily on off-  
6 highway trails or off-highway competitions and only incidentally oper-  
7 ated on public highways providing that such vehicle does not exceed  
8 seventy inches in width, or one thousand pounds dry weight. Provided,  
9 however, this definition shall not include a "snowmobile" or other self-  
10 propelled vehicles manufactured for off-highway use exclusively designed  
11 for travel on snow or ice, steered by skis or runners and supported in  
12 whole or in part by one or more skis, belts or cleats which utilize an  
13 endless belt tread; OR  
14     (II) ANY SELF-PROPELLED VEHICLE WHICH IS MANUFACTURED FOR SALE FOR  
15 OPERATION PRIMARILY ON OFF-HIGHWAY TRAILS OR OFF-HIGHWAY COMPETITIONS  
16 AND ONLY INCIDENTALLY OPERATED ON PUBLIC HIGHWAYS PROVIDING THAT SUCH  
17 VEHICLE DOES NOT EXCEED SEVENTY INCHES IN WIDTH, OR ONE THOUSAND FIVE  
18 HUNDRED POUNDS DRY WEIGHT, CONSISTS OF A SIDE-BY-SIDE PASSENGER CONFIG-

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets  
[ ] is old law to be omitted.

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1 URATION, IS DESIGNED FOR NO MORE THAN THREE PASSENGERS AND HAS SAFETY  
2 FEATURES WHICH INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO, SEAT BELTS AND ROLL-OVER  
3 BARS. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS DEFINITION SHALL NOT INCLUDE A  
4 "SNOWMOBILE" OR OTHER SELF-PROPELLED VEHICLES MANUFACTURED FOR OFF-HIGH-  
5 WAY USE EXCLUSIVELY DESIGNED FOR TRAVEL ON SNOW OR ICE, STEERED BY SKIS  
6 OR RUNNERS AND SUPPORTED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY ONE OR MORE SKIS, BELTS  
7 OR CLEATS WHICH UTILIZE AN ENDLESS BELT TREAD.

8 (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of [paragraph (a)] SUBPARAGRAPHS  
9 (I) AND (II) OF PARAGRAPH (A) of this subdivision, the [term] TERMS "all  
10 terrain vehicle" [or], "ATV" shall not include any vehicle used for  
11 agricultural purposes or for snowplowing, other than for hire, provided,  
12 however, that any such vehicle shall register as an "all terrain vehi-  
13 cle" or "ATV" pursuant to the provisions of this article if such vehicle  
14 is used or is intended to be used for any purpose other than agricul-  
15 tural purposes or for snowplowing and shall be regulated in accordance  
16 with provisions governing the operation of "all terrain vehicles" or  
17 "ATV's" while in such use.

18 S 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall  
19 have become a law.