

Senate Study Bill 3001 - Introduced

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BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES AND
ENVIRONMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON DEARDEN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act concerning the definitions of "all-terrain vehicle"
2 and "off-road utility vehicle" for purposes of provisions
3 administered by the department of natural resources.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321I.1, subsection 1, paragraph a, Code
2 2011, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. "*All-terrain vehicle*" means a motorized ~~flotation-tire~~
4 vehicle with not less than three and not more than six
5 ~~low-pressure nonhighway~~ tires that has a width not exceeding
6 fifty inches and is limited in engine displacement to less than
7 one thousand cubic centimeters and in total dry weight to less
8 than one thousand two hundred pounds ~~and that has a seat or~~
9 ~~saddle designed to be straddled by the operator and handlebars~~
10 ~~for steering control.~~

11 Sec. 2. Section 321I.1, subsection 16, paragraph a, Code
12 2011, is amended to read as follows:

13 a. "*Off-road utility vehicle*" means a motorized
14 ~~flotation-tire~~ vehicle with not less than four and not more
15 than eight ~~low-pressure nonhighway~~ tires that has a width
16 not exceeding sixty-five inches and is limited in engine
17 displacement to less than one thousand five hundred cubic
18 centimeters and in total dry weight to not more than ~~one~~ two
19 thousand ~~eight hundred~~ pounds ~~and that has a seat that is of~~
20 ~~bucket or bench design, not intended to be straddled by the~~
21 ~~operator, and a steering wheel or control levers for control.~~

22 EXPLANATION

23 This bill revises the definitions of "all-terrain vehicle"
24 and "off-road utility vehicle" for purposes of Code chapter
25 321I.

26 The definition of "all-terrain vehicle" is amended to
27 include vehicles with not less than three and not more than
28 six nonhighway tires. In addition, the revised definition
29 limits the width of all-terrain vehicles to not more than 50
30 inches, limits the engine displacement to less than 1,000 cubic
31 centimeters, limits the dry weight to less than 1,200 pounds,
32 and omits current requirements for a seat or saddle designed
33 to be straddled by the operator and handlebars for steering
34 control.

35 The definition of "off-road utility vehicle" is amended to

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1 include vehicles with not less than four and not more than
2 eight nonhighway tires. In addition, the revised definition
3 limits the width of an off-road utility vehicle to not more
4 than 65 inches, limits the engine displacement to less than
5 1,500 cubic centimeters, limits the total dry weight to not
6 more than 2,000 pounds, and omits current requirements for a
7 bucket or bench seat and a steering wheel or control levers.