

## CHAPTER 1095

### PRIVATE PROPERTY MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC RECREATIONAL PURPOSES

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**AN ACT** relating to private land available for public use for recreational purposes.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. [Section 461C.2](#), Code 2024, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

**NEW SUBSECTION.** 01. “Bicycle” means the same as defined in [section 321.1](#) except the device may have any number of wheels.

Sec. 2. [Section 461C.2, subsections 3 and 5](#), Code 2024, are amended to read as follows:

3. “Land” means private land that is one or any combination of the following: abandoned or inactive surface mines; caves; land used for agricultural purposes; marshlands; timber; grasslands; or the privately owned roads, portions of a railroad right-of-way or crossing incorporated into or used as part of a path or trail used for recreational purposes, paths, trails, waters, water courses, exteriors and interiors of buildings, structures, machinery, or equipment appurtenant thereto. “Land” includes land that is not open to the general public. “Land” also includes private land located in a municipality in connection with and while being used for urban deer control.

5. “Recreational purpose” means the following or any combination thereof: hunting, trapping, horseback riding, fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, jogging, walking, hiking, pleasure driving, motorcycling, bicycle riding, all-terrain vehicle riding, nature study, water skiing, snowmobiling, other summer and winter sports, educational activities, and viewing or enjoying historical, archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites while going to and from or actually engaged therein. “Recreational purpose” includes the activity of accompanying another person who is engaging in such activities. “Recreational purpose” is not limited to active engagement in such activities, but includes entry onto, use of, passage over, and presence on any part of the land in connection with or during the course of such activities.

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