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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to registration of all-terrain vehicles and  
2 snowmobiles and providing for and applying penalties.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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TRANSPORTATION

1 Section 1. Section 321G.4, unnumbered paragraph 2, Code  
2 1999, is amended to read as follows:

3 The owner of the all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile shall  
4 file an application for registration with the appropriate  
5 county recorder on forms provided by the commission. The  
6 application shall be completed and signed by the owner of the  
7 all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile and shall be accompanied by  
8 a fee of twenty dollars and a writing fee. An all-terrain  
9 vehicle or a snowmobile shall not be registered by the county  
10 recorder until the county recorder is presented with receipts,  
11 bills of sale, or other satisfactory evidence that the sales  
12 or use tax has been paid for the purchase of the all-terrain  
13 vehicle or snowmobile or that the owner is exempt from paying  
14 the tax. However, an owner of an all-terrain vehicle, except  
15 an all-terrain vehicle purchased new on or after January 1,  
16 1990, may apply for registration without proof of sales or use  
17 tax paid until one year after January 1, 1990. An all-terrain  
18 vehicle or snowmobile that has an expired registration  
19 certificate from another state may be registered in this state  
20 upon proper application, payment of all applicable  
21 registration and writing fees, and payment of a penalty of  
22 five dollars.

23 PARAGRAPH DIVIDED. Upon receipt of the application in  
24 approved form accompanied by the required fees, the county  
25 recorder shall enter it upon the records and shall issue to  
26 the applicant a pocket-size registration certificate. The  
27 certificate shall be executed in triplicate, one copy to be  
28 delivered to the owner, one copy to the commission, and one  
29 copy to be retained on file by the county recorder. The  
30 registration certificate shall bear the number awarded to the  
31 all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile and the name and address of  
32 the owner. The registration certificate shall be carried  
33 either in the all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile or on the  
34 person of the operator of the machine when in use. The  
35 operator of an all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile shall exhibit

1 the registration certificate to a peace officer upon request,  
2 to a person injured in an accident involving an all-terrain  
3 vehicle or snowmobile, or to the owner or operator of another  
4 all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile or the owner of personal or  
5 real property when the all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile is  
6 involved in a collision or accident of any nature with another  
7 all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile or the property of another  
8 person or to the property owner or tenant when the all-terrain  
9 vehicle or snowmobile is being operated on private property  
10 without permission from the property owner or tenant.

11 Sec. 2. Section 321G.6, unnumbered paragraph 6, Code 1999,  
12 is amended to read as follows:

13 Upon the transfer of ownership of an all-terrain vehicle or  
14 snowmobile, the owner shall complete the form on the back of a  
15 current registration certificate and shall deliver it to the  
16 purchaser or transferee at the time of delivering the all-  
17 terrain vehicle or snowmobile. If an all-terrain vehicle or  
18 snowmobile is stored by the transferor pursuant to section  
19 321G.4 at the time of transfer, the transferor shall provide  
20 the transferee with a copy of the affidavit filed with the  
21 county recorder pursuant to section 321G.4 at the time of  
22 delivering the all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile. The  
23 purchaser or transferee shall, within five days of transfer,  
24 file a new application form with the county recorder with a  
25 fee of one dollar and the writing fee, and a transfer of  
26 number shall be awarded in the same manner as provided in an  
27 original registration. If the purchaser or transferee does  
28 not file a new application form within five days of transfer,  
29 the transfer of number shall be awarded upon payment of all  
30 applicable fees plus a penalty of five dollars.

31 EXPLANATION

32 This bill amends Code section 321G.4 to specify that an  
33 all-terrain vehicle or snowmobile that has an expired  
34 registration certificate from another state may be registered  
35 in this state upon proper application, payment of all

1 applicable registration and writing fees, and payment of a  
2 penalty of five dollars.

3 The bill amends Code section 321G.6 to change the  
4 requirements for transfer of an all-terrain vehicle or  
5 snowmobile that was placed in storage by the transferor. The  
6 bill allows the transferor to provide a copy of the affidavit  
7 filed with the county recorder concerning the storage to the  
8 transferee rather than requiring the transferor to renew the  
9 registration prior to transfer.

10 Code section 321G.6 is also amended to provide a penalty of  
11 five dollars for transferees of all-terrain vehicles and  
12 snowmobiles who fail to file a new application form for  
13 registration within five days of the transfer.

14 Violations of any of the provisions of the bill are  
15 punishable as simple misdemeanors under Code section 321G.14.

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