House File 2481 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 2481
BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 631)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to various conservation and recreation
- 2 activities under the purview of the department of natural
- 3 resources, and making penalties applicable.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 321G.1, Code 2009, is amended by adding
- 2 the following new subsections:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 5A. "Designated snowmobile trail" means
- 4 a snowmobile riding trail on any public land, private land,
- 5 or public ice that has been designated by the department,
- 6 a political subdivision, or a controlling authority for
- 7 snowmobile use.
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 5B. "Direct supervision" means to provide
- 9 supervision of another person while maintaining visual and
- 10 verbal contact at all times.
- 11 Sec. 2. Section 321G.1, subsection 19, Code 2009, is amended
- 12 to read as follows:
- 13 19. "Safety "Education certificate" means a snowmobile
- 14 safety education certificate, approved by the commission, which
- 15 is issued to a qualified applicant who is twelve years of age
- 16 or older.
- 17 Sec. 3. Section 321G.2, subsection 1, paragraphs c, e, and
- 18 f, Code Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:
- 19 c. Use of snowmobiles on designated snowmobile trails
- 20 and public lands under the jurisdiction of the commission.
- 21 e. Establishment of a program of grants, subgrants,
- 22 and contracts to be administered by the department for the
- 23 development, maintenance, signing, and operation of designated
- 24 snowmobile trails and the operation of grooming equipment by
- 25 political subdivisions and incorporated private organizations.
- 26 f. Issuance of safety education certificates.
- 27 Sec. 4. Section 321G.2, subsection 1, Code Supplement 2009,
- 28 is amended by adding the following new paragraph:
- 29 NEW PARAGRAPH. 1. Maintenance, signing, and operation of
- 30 designated snowmobile trails.
- 31 Sec. 5. Section 321G.3, subsection 2, Code 2009, is amended
- 32 by striking the subsection.
- 33 Sec. 6. Section 321G.3, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended
- 34 to read as follows:
- 35 3. 2. A violation of subsection 1 or 2 is punishable as

- 1 a scheduled violation under section 805.8B, subsection 2,
- 2 paragraph "a". When the scheduled fine is paid, the violator
- 3 shall submit proof to the department that a valid registration
- 4 or user permit has been obtained by providing a copy of the
- 5 registration or user permit to the department within thirty
- 6 days of the date the fine is paid. A person who violates this
- 7 subsection is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.
- 8 Sec. 7. Section 321G.4, subsection 2, Code 2009, is amended
- 9 to read as follows:
- 10 2. The owner of the snowmobile shall file an application
- 11 for registration with the department through a the county
- 12 recorder of the county of residence in the manner established
- 13 by the commission. The application shall be completed by the
- 14 owner and shall be accompanied by a fee of fifteen dollars and
- 15 a writing fee as provided in section 321G.27. A snowmobile
- 16 shall not be registered by the county recorder until the
- 17 county recorder is presented with receipts, bills of sale,
- 18 or other satisfactory evidence that the sales or use tax has
- 19 been paid for the purchase of the snowmobile or that the
- 20 owner is exempt from paying the tax. A snowmobile that has
- 21 an expired registration certificate from another state may be
- 22 registered in this state upon proper application, payment of
- 23 all applicable registration and writing fees, and payment of a
- 24 penalty of five dollars.
- 25 Sec. 8. Section 321G.6, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- 27 3. Duplicate registrations may be issued upon application
- 28 to the by a county recorder and or a license agent upon the
- 29 payment of a five dollar fee plus a writing fee as provided in
- 30 section 321G.27.
- 31 Sec. 9. Section 321G.7, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
- 32 to read as follows:
- 33 1. A county recorder or license agent shall remit to the
- 34 commission the snowmobile fees collected by the recorder
- 35 or license agent in the manner and time prescribed by the

- 1 department.
- 2 Sec. 10. Section 321G.8, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
- 3 to read as follows:
- Snowmobiles owned and used by the United States,
- 5 another this state, or a political subdivision of
- 6 another this state.
- 7 Sec. 11. Section 321G.9, subsection 6, Code 2009, is amended
- 8 by striking the subsection.
- 9 Sec. 12. Section 321G.12, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 10 follows:
- 11 321G.12 Headlamp tail lamp Headlight taillight —
- 12 brakes.
- 13 Every snowmobile shall be equipped with at least one
- 14 headlamp headlight and one tail lamp taillight. Every
- 15 snowmobile shall be equipped with brakes.
- 16 Sec. 13. Section 321G.17, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 17 follows:
- 18 321G.17 Violation of stop signal.
- 19 A person, after having who has received a visual or audible
- 20 signal from a peace officer to come to a stop, shall not
- 21 operate a snowmobile in willful or wanton disregard of the
- 22 signal, or interfere with or endanger the officer or any other
- 23 person or vehicle, or increase speed, or attempt to flee or
- 24 elude the officer.
- Sec. 14. Section 321G.20, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 26 follows:
- 27 321G.20 Minors under twelve sixteen supervision
- 28 requirements.
- 29 1. An owner or operator of a snowmobile shall not permit
- 30 a person under twelve years of age to operate and a person
- 31 less than twelve years of age shall not operate, a snowmobile
- 32 on a designated snowmobile trail, public land, or public
- 33 ice except when accompanied on the same snowmobile by a
- 34 responsible person of at least eighteen years of age who is
- 35 experienced in snowmobile operation and who possesses a valid

- 1 driver's license, as defined in section 321.1, or a safety an
- 2 education certificate issued under this chapter.
- While operating a snowmobile on a designated snowmobile
- 4 trail, public land, or public ice, a person twelve to fifteen
- 5 years of age and possessing a valid education certificate
- 6 must be under the direct supervision of a parent, guardian,
- 7 or another adult authorized by the parent or guardian, who is
- 8 experienced in snowmobile operation, and who possesses a valid
- 9 driver's license, as defined in section 321.1, or an education
- 10 certificate issued under this chapter.
- 11 3. A person under sixteen years of age shall not operate a
- 12 snowmobile on or across a public highway unless the person has
- 13 in the person's possession an education certificate issued to
- 14 the person pursuant to this chapter.
- 15 Sec. 15. Section 321G.21, subsections 1 through 5, Code
- 16 Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:
- 17 l. A manufacturer, distributor, or dealer owning a
- 18 snowmobile required to be registered under this chapter
- 19 may operate the snowmobile for purposes of transporting,
- 20 testing, demonstrating, or selling it without the snowmobile
- 21 being registered, except that a special identification
- 22 number registration decal issued to the owner as provided
- 23 in this chapter shall be displayed on the snowmobile in the
- 24 manner prescribed by rules of the commission. The special
- 25 identification number registration decal shall not be used
- 26 on a snowmobile offered for hire or for any work or service
- 27 performed by a manufacturer, distributor, or dealer.
- 28 2. Every manufacturer, distributor, or dealer shall
- 29 register with the department by making application to the
- 30 commission, upon forms prescribed by the commission, for
- 31 a special registration certificate containing a general
- 32 identification number and for one or more duplicate special
- 33 registration certificates and decal. The applicant shall pay
- 34 a registration fee of fifteen forty-five dollars and submit
- 35 reasonable proof of the applicant's status as a bona fide

- 1 manufacturer, distributor, or dealer as may be required by the
- 2 commission.
- The commission, upon granting an application,
- 4 shall issue to the applicant a special registration
- 5 certificate containing and decal. The special registration
- 6 certificate shall contain the applicant's name, and address,
- 7 the and general identification number; assigned to
- 8 the applicant, the word "manufacturer", "dealer", or
- 9 "distributor", and other information the commission
- 10 prescribes. The manufacturer, distributor, or dealer shall
- 11 have the assigned number printed upon or attached to a
- 12 removable sign or signs which may be temporarily but firmly
- 13 mounted or attached to the snowmobile being used. The display
- 14 shall meet the requirements of this chapter and the rules of
- 15 the commission.
- 16 4. The commission shall also issue duplicate special
- 17 registration certificates and decals which shall have displayed
- 18 thereon the general identification number assigned to the
- 19 applicant. Each duplicate registration certificate so issued
- 20 shall contain a number or symbol identifying it from every
- 21 other duplicate special registration certificate bearing
- 22 the same general identification number. The fee for each
- 23 additional duplicate special registration certificate and
- 24 decal shall be two five dollars.
- 5. Each special registration certificate issued
- 26 hereunder under this section shall be for a period of three
- 27 years and shall expire on December 31 of each the renewal year,
- 28 and a. A new special registration certificate for the ensuing
- 29 twelve months three-year renewal period may be obtained upon
- 30 application to the commission and payment of the fee provided
- 31 by law.
- 32 Sec. 16. Section 321G.23, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 33 follows:
- 34 321G.23 Course of instruction.
- 35 1. The commission shall provide, by rules adopted pursuant

- 1 to section 321G.2, for the establishment of certified courses
- 2 of instruction to be conducted throughout the state for the
- 3 safe use and operation of snowmobiles. The curriculum shall
- 4 include instruction in the lawful and safe use, operation, and
- 5 equipping of snowmobiles consistent with this chapter and rules
- 6 adopted by the commission and the director of transportation
- 7 and other matters the commission deems pertinent for a
- 8 qualified snowmobile operator. The commission may establish
- 9 a fee for the course which shall not exceed the actual cost
- 10 of instruction minus moneys received by the department from
- 11 safety education certificate fees under section 321G.24.
- The commission may certify any experienced, qualified
- 13 operator to be an instructor of a class established under
- 14 subsection 1. Each instructor shall be at least eighteen years
- 15 of age.
- 16 3. Upon completion of the course of instruction, the
- 17 commission shall provide for the administration of a written
- 18 test to any student who wishes to qualify for a safety an
- 19 education certificate.
- 20 4. The commission shall provide safety education material
- 21 relating to the operation of snowmobiles for the use of
- 22 nonpublic or public elementary and secondary schools in this
- 23 state.
- 24 5. The department may develop requirements and standards
- 25 for online education offerings. Only vendors who have entered
- 26 into a memorandum of understanding with the department
- 27 shall be permitted to offer an online course that results
- 28 in the issuance of an education certificate approved by the
- 29 commission. Vendors may charge for their courses and collect
- 30 the education certificate fee required under section 321G.24,
- 31 subsection 2, on behalf of the department as agreed to in the
- 32 memorandum of understanding.
- 33 Sec. 17. Section 321G.24, Code Supplement 2009, is amended
- 34 to read as follows:
- 35 321G.24 Safety Education certificate fee.

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- 1 l. A person under eighteen years of age shall not operate a 2 snowmobile on public land or <u>public</u> ice or land purchased with 3 snowmobile registration funds in this state without obtaining a 4 valid <u>safety education</u> certificate issued by the department and 5 having the certificate in the person's possession, unless the 6 person is accompanied on the same snowmobile by a responsible 7 person of at least eighteen years of age who is experienced in 8 snowmobile operation and possesses a valid driver's license, as 9 defined in section 321.1, or <u>a safety an education</u> certificate 10 issued under this chapter.
- 2. Upon application successful completion of the course and payment of a fee of five dollars, a qualified applicant shall be issued a safety an education certificate which is valid until the certificate is suspended or revoked by the director for a violation of a provision of this chapter or a rule adopted pursuant to this chapter. The application shall be made on forms issued by the commission and shall contain information as the commission may reasonably require.
- 3. Any person who is required to have a safety an education certificate under this chapter and who has completed a course of instruction established under section 321G.2, subsection 1, paragraph "j", including the successful passage of an examination which includes a written test relating to such course of instruction, shall be considered qualified to receive a safety an education certificate.
- 4. The permit certificate fees collected under this section shall be credited to the special snowmobile fund created under section 321G.7 and shall be used for safety and educational programs.
- 5. A valid snowmobile safety or education certificate or license issued to a nonresident by a governmental authority 32 of another state shall be considered a valid certificate 33 or license in this state if the permit certification or license licensing requirements of the governmental authority, 35 excluding fees, are substantially the same as the requirements

- 1 of this chapter as determined by the commission.
- 2 Sec. 18. Section 321G.29, subsection 8, Code 2009, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 8. Once titled, a person shall not sell or transfer
- 5 ownership of a snowmobile without delivering to the purchaser
- 6 or transferee a certificate of title with an assignment on it
- 7 showing title in the purchaser or transferee purchaser's or
- 8 transferee's name. A person shall not purchase or otherwise
- 9 acquire a snowmobile without obtaining a certificate of title
- 10 for it in that person's name.
- 11 Sec. 19. Section 321G.31, subsection 1, Code 2009, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 l. If ownership of a snowmobile is transferred by
- 14 operation of law, such as by inheritance, order in bankruptcy,
- 15 insolvency, replevin, or execution sale, the transferee, within
- 16 thirty days after acquiring the right to possession of the
- 17 snowmobile, shall mail or deliver to the county recorder of
- 18 the transferee's county of residence satisfactory proof of
- 19 ownership as the county recorder requires, together with an
- 20 application for a new certificate of title, and the required
- 21 fee.
- 22 Sec. 20. Section 321G.33, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2009,
- 23 are amended to read as follows:
- 24 l. The department may assign a distinguishing number to
- 25 a snowmobile when the serial number on the snowmobile is
- 26 destroyed or obliterated and issue to the owner a special
- 27 plate decal bearing the distinguishing number which shall be
- 28 affixed to the snowmobile in a position to be determined by
- 29 the department. The snowmobile shall be registered and titled
- 30 under the distinguishing number in lieu of the former serial
- 31 number. Every snowmobile shall have a vehicle identification
- 32 number assigned and affixed as required by the department.
- 33 3. A person shall not destroy, remove, alter, cover, or
- 34 deface the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, the
- 35 plate or decal bearing it, or any vehicle identification number

- 1 the department assigns to a snowmobile without the department's
 2 permission.
- 3 Sec. 21. Section 321I.1, subsection 1, paragraph b, Code
- 4 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 5 b. Off-road motorcycles shall be considered all-terrain
- 6 vehicles for the purpose of registration. Off-road motorcycles
- 7 shall also be considered all-terrain vehicles for the
- 8 purpose of titling if a title has not previously been
- 9 issued pursuant to chapter 321. An operator of an off-road
- 10 motorcycle is subject to provisions governing the operation
- 11 of all-terrain vehicles in this chapter, but is exempt from
- 12 the safety education instruction and certification program
- 13 requirements of sections 321I.25 and 321I.26.
- 14 Sec. 22. Section 321I.1, subsection 16, paragraph b, Code
- 15 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 16 b. An owner of an off-road utility vehicle may register
- 17 or title an off-road utility vehicle in order to legally
- 18 operate the off-road vehicle on public ice, a designated
- 19 riding area, or a designated riding trail. The operator of an
- 20 off-road utility vehicle is subject to provisions governing the
- 21 operation of all-terrain vehicles in section 321.234A and this
- 22 chapter, but is exempt from the safety education instruction
- 23 and certification program requirements of sections 321I.25 and
- 24 3211.26. An operator of an off-road utility vehicle shall not
- 25 operate the vehicle on a designated riding area or designated
- 26 riding trail unless the department has posted signage
- 27 indicating the riding area or trail is open to the operation
- 28 of off-road utility vehicles. Off-road utility vehicles are
- 29 exempt from the dealer registration and titling requirements
- 30 of this chapter. A motorized vehicle that was previously
- 31 titled or is currently titled under chapter 321 shall not be
- 32 registered or operated as an off-road utility vehicle.
- 33 Sec. 23. Section 321I.1, subsection 25, Code Supplement
- 34 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 35 25. "Safety "Education certificate" means an all-terrain

- 1 vehicle safety education certificate, approved by the
- 2 commission, which is issued to a qualified applicant who is
- 3 twelve years of age or older.
- 4 Sec. 24. Section 321I.2, subsection 1, paragraph f, Code
- 5 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 6 f. Issuance of safety education certificates.
- 7 Sec. 25. Section 321I.3, subsection 2, Code 2009, is amended
- 8 by striking the subsection.
- 9 Sec. 26. Section 321I.3, subsection 3, Code 2009, is amended
- 10 to read as follows:
- 11 $\frac{3}{1}$ 2. A violation of subsection 1 or 2 is punishable as
- 12 a scheduled violation under section 805.8B, subsection 2A,
- 13 paragraph "a". When the scheduled fine is paid, the violator
- 14 shall submit proof to the department that a valid registration
- 15 or user permit has been obtained by providing a copy of the
- 16 registration or user permit to the department within thirty
- 17 days of the date the fine is paid. A person who violates this
- 18 subsection is quilty of a simple misdemeanor.
- 19 Sec. 27. Section 321I.4, subsection 2, Code 2009, is amended
- 20 to read as follows:
- 21 2. The owner of the all-terrain vehicle shall file an
- 22 application for registration with the department through
- 23 a the county recorder of the county of residence in the
- 24 manner established by the commission. The application shall
- 25 be completed by the owner and shall be accompanied by a fee
- 26 of fifteen dollars and a writing fee as provided in section
- 27 3211.29. An all-terrain vehicle shall not be registered by the
- 28 county recorder until the county recorder is presented with
- 29 receipts, bills of sale, or other satisfactory evidence that
- 30 the sales or use tax has been paid for the purchase of the
- 31 all-terrain vehicle or that the owner is exempt from paying the
- 32 tax. An all-terrain vehicle that has an expired registration
- 33 certificate from another state may be registered in this state
- 34 upon proper application, payment of all applicable registration
- 35 and writing fees, and payment of a penalty of five dollars.

- 1 Sec. 28. Section 321I.7, subsections 3 and 4, Code 2009, are 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3. Duplicate registrations may be issued upon application
- 4 to the by a county recorder or a license agent and the payment
- 5 of a five dollar fee plus a writing fee as provided in section
- 6 3211.29.
- 7 4. A motorcycle, as defined in section 321.1, subsection
- 8 40, paragraph "a", may be registered as an all-terrain vehicle
- 9 as provided in this section. A motorcycle registered as an
- 10 all-terrain vehicle may participate in all programs established
- 11 for all-terrain vehicles under this chapter except for the
- 12 safety education instruction and certification program.
- Sec. 29. Section 321I.8, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 14 follows:
- 15 3211.8 Fees remitted to commission appropriation.
- 16 l. A county recorder or license agent shall remit to the
- 17 commission the all-terrain vehicle fees collected by the
- 18 recorder or license agent in the manner and time prescribed by
- 19 the department.
- 20 2. The department shall remit the fees, including user
- 21 fees collected pursuant to section 321I.5, to the treasurer
- 22 of state, who shall place the money in a special all-terrain
- 23 vehicle fund. The money is appropriated to the department for
- 24 the all-terrain vehicle programs of the state. The programs
- 25 shall include grants, subgrants, contracts, or cost-sharing
- 26 of all-terrain vehicle programs with political subdivisions
- 27 or incorporated private organizations or both in accordance
- 28 with rules adopted by the commission. All-terrain vehicle fees
- 29 may be used for the establishment, maintenance, and operation
- 30 of all-terrain vehicle recreational riding areas through the
- 31 awarding of grants administered by the department. All-terrain
- 32 vehicle recreational riding areas established, maintained, or
- 33 operated by the use of such grants shall not be operated for
- 34 profit. All programs using cost-sharing, grants, subgrants,
- 35 or contracts shall establish and implement a safety an

- 1 education instruction program either singly or in cooperation
- 2 with other all-terrain vehicle programs. All-terrain vehicle
- 3 fees may be used to support all-terrain vehicle programs on
- 4 a usage basis. At least fifty percent of the special fund
- 5 shall be available for political subdivisions or incorporated
- 6 private organizations or both. Moneys from the special fund
- 7 not used by the political subdivisions or incorporated private
- 8 organizations or both shall remain in the fund and may be used
- 9 by the department for the administration of the all-terrain
- 10 vehicle programs. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the
- 11 special fund shall not revert to the general fund of the state
- 12 at the end of a fiscal year. Notwithstanding section 12C.7,
- 13 subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in the special
- 14 fund shall remain in the fund.
- 15 Sec. 30. Section 321I.9, subsection 1, Code 2009, is amended
- 16 to read as follows:
- 1. All-terrain vehicles owned and used by the United
- 18 States, another this state, or a political subdivision of
- 19 another this state.
- 20 Sec. 31. Section 321I.13, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 21 follows:
- 22 321I.13 Headlamp tail lamp Headlight taillight —
- 23 brakes.
- 24 Every all-terrain vehicle operated during the hours of
- 25 darkness shall display a lighted headlamp headlight and tail
- 26 lamp taillight. Every all-terrain vehicle shall be equipped
- 27 with brakes.
- 28 Sec. 32. Section 321I.17, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 29 follows:
- 30 3211.17 Special events.
- 31 The department may authorize the holding of organized
- 32 special events as defined in this chapter within this state.
- 33 The department shall adopt rules relating to the conduct of
- 34 special events held under department permits and designating
- 35 the equipment and facilities necessary for the safe operation

- 1 of all-terrain vehicles or, off-road motorcycles, and off-road
- 2 utility vehicles and for the safety of operators, participants,
- 3 and observers in the special events. A special event for
- 4 all-terrain vehicles may include motorcycles upon payment of
- 5 an entrance fee set by the organizer of the special event. The
- 6 department may require that part of the motorcycle entrance
- 7 fee be credited to pay costs of all-terrain vehicle programs
- 8 authorized pursuant to section 3211.8. At least thirty
- 9 days before the scheduled date of a special event in this
- 10 state, an application shall be filed with the department for
- 11 authorization to conduct the special event. The application
- 12 shall set forth the date, time, and location of the proposed
- 13 special event and any other information the department
- 14 requires. The special event shall not be conducted without
- 15 written authorization of the department. Copies of the rules
- 16 shall be furnished by the department to any person making an
- 17 application.
- 18 Sec. 33. Section 321I.18, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 19 follows:
- 20 321I.18 Violation of stop signal.
- 21 A person, after having who has received a visual or audible
- 22 signal from a peace officer to come to a stop, shall not
- 23 operate an all-terrain vehicle in willful or wanton disregard
- 24 of the signal, or interfere with or endanger the officer or any
- 25 other person or vehicle, or increase speed, or attempt to flee
- 26 or elude the officer.
- 27 Sec. 34. Section 3211.21, subsection 1, Code 2009, is
- 28 amended to read as follows:
- 29 l. The person is taking a prescribed safety education
- 30 training course and the operation is under the direct
- 31 supervision of a certified all-terrain vehicle safety
- 32 education instructor.
- 33 Sec. 35. Section 321I.22, subsections 1 through 5, Code
- 34 Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:
- 35 l. A manufacturer, distributor, or dealer owning an

- 1 all-terrain vehicle required to be registered under this
- 2 chapter may operate the all-terrain vehicle for purposes of
- 3 transporting, testing, demonstrating, or selling it without the
- 4 all-terrain vehicle being registered, except that a special
- 5 identification number registration decal issued to the owner as
- 6 provided in this chapter shall be displayed on the all-terrain
- 7 vehicle in the manner prescribed by rules of the commission.
- 8 The special identification number registration decal shall not
- 9 be used on an all-terrain vehicle offered for hire or for any
- 10 work or service performed by a manufacturer, distributor, or
- ll dealer.
- 12 2. Every manufacturer, distributor, or dealer shall
- 13 register with the department by making application to the
- 14 commission, upon forms prescribed by the commission, for
- 15 a special registration certificate containing a general
- 16 identification number and for one or more duplicate special
- 17 registration certificates and decal. The applicant shall pay
- 18 a registration fee of fifteen forty-five dollars and submit
- 19 reasonable proof of the applicant's status as a bona fide
- 20 manufacturer, distributor, or dealer as may be required by the
- 21 commission.
- 22 3. The commission, upon granting an application,
- 23 shall issue to the applicant a special registration
- 24 certificate containing and decal. The special registration
- 25 certificate shall contain the applicant's name, and address,
- 26 the and general identification number; assigned to
- 27 the applicant, the word "manufacturer", "dealer", or
- 28 "distributor"; and other information the commission
- 29 prescribes. The manufacturer, distributor, or dealer shall
- 30 have the assigned number printed upon or attached to a
- 31 removable sign or signs which may be temporarily but firmly
- 32 mounted or attached to the all-terrain vehicle being used. The
- 33 display shall meet the requirements of this chapter and the
- 34 rules of the commission.
- 35 4. The commission shall also issue duplicate special

- 1 registration certificates and decals which shall have displayed
- 2 thereon the general identification number assigned to the
- 3 applicant. Each duplicate registration certificate so issued
- 4 shall contain a number or symbol identifying it from every
- 5 other duplicate special registration certificate bearing
- 6 the same general identification number. The fee for each
- 7 additional duplicate special registration certificate and
- 8 decal shall be two five dollars.
- Each special registration certificate issued
- 10 hereunder under this section shall be for a period of three
- 11 years and shall expire on December 31 of each the renewal year,
- 12 and a. A new special registration certificate for the ensuing
- 13 twelve months three-year renewal period may be obtained upon
- 14 application to the commission and payment of the fee provided
- 15 by law.
- 16 Sec. 36. Section 321I.25, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 17 follows:
- 18 321I.25 Course of instruction.
- 19 1. The commission shall provide, by rules adopted pursuant
- 20 to section 321I.2, for the establishment of certified courses
- 21 of instruction to be conducted throughout the state for the
- 22 safe use and operation of all-terrain vehicles. The curriculum
- 23 shall include instruction in the lawful and safe use,
- 24 operation, and equipping of all-terrain vehicles consistent
- 25 with this chapter and rules adopted by the commission and the
- 26 director of transportation and other matters the commission
- 27 deems pertinent for a qualified all-terrain vehicle operator.
- 28 The commission may establish a fee for the course which shall
- 29 not exceed the actual cost of instruction minus moneys received
- 30 by the department from safety education certificate fees under
- 31 section 321I.26.
- The commission may certify any experienced, qualified
- 33 operator to be an instructor of a class established under
- 34 subsection 1. Each instructor shall be at least eighteen years
- 35 of age.

- 1 3. Upon completion of the course of instruction, the
- 2 commission shall provide for the administration of either a
- 3 written test or the demonstration of adequate riding skills
- 4 to any student who wishes to qualify for a safety an
- 5 education certificate.
- 6 4. The commission shall provide safety education material
- 7 relating to the operation of all-terrain vehicles for the use
- 8 of nonpublic or public elementary and secondary schools in this
- 9 state.
- 10 5. The department may develop requirements and standards
- ll for online education offerings. Only vendors who have entered
- 12 into a memorandum of understanding with the department
- 13 shall be permitted to offer an online course that results
- 14 in the issuance of an education certificate approved by the
- 15 commission. Vendors may charge for their courses and collect
- 16 the education certificate fee required under section 3211.26,
- 17 subsection 2, on behalf of the department as agreed to in the
- 18 memorandum of understanding.
- 19 Sec. 37. Section 321I.26, Code Supplement 2009, is amended
- 20 to read as follows:
- 21 321I.26 Safety Education certificate fee.
- 22 l. A person twelve years of age or older but less than
- 23 eighteen years of age shall not operate an all-terrain vehicle
- 24 on public land or ice or land purchased with all-terrain
- 25 vehicle registration funds in this state without obtaining a
- 26 valid safety education certificate issued by the department and
- 27 having the certificate in the person's possession.
- 28 2. Upon application successful completion of the course and
- 29 payment of a fee of five dollars, a qualified applicant
- 30 shall be issued a safety an education certificate which is
- 31 valid until the certificate is suspended or revoked by the
- 32 director for a violation of a provision of this chapter or a
- 33 rule adopted pursuant to this chapter. The application shall
- 34 be made on forms issued by the commission and shall contain
- 35 information as the commission may reasonably require.

- 3. Any person who is required to have a safety an
- 2 education certificate under this chapter and who has completed
- 3 a course of instruction established under section 3211.2,
- 4 subsection 1, paragraph "i", including the successful passage
- 5 of an examination which includes either a written test relating
- 6 to such course of instruction or the demonstration of adequate
- 7 riding skills, shall be considered qualified to receive a
- 8 safety an education certificate.
- 9 4. The permit certificate fees collected under this section
- 10 shall be credited to the special all-terrain vehicle fund and
- 11 shall be used for safety and educational programs.
- 12 5. A valid all-terrain vehicle safety or education
- 13 certificate or license issued to a nonresident by a
- 14 governmental authority of another state shall be considered
- 15 a valid certificate or license in this state if the
- 16 permit certification or license licensing requirements of the
- 17 governmental authority, excluding fees, are substantially the
- 18 same as the requirements of this chapter as determined by the
- 19 commission.
- 20 Sec. 38. Section 321I.31, subsection 8, Code 2009, is
- 21 amended to read as follows:
- 22 8. Once titled, a person shall not sell or transfer
- 23 ownership of an all-terrain vehicle without delivering to
- 24 the purchaser or transferee a certificate of title with
- 25 an assignment on it showing title in the purchaser or
- 26 transferee purchaser's or transferee's name. A person shall
- 27 not purchase or otherwise acquire an all-terrain vehicle
- 28 without obtaining a certificate of title for it in that
- 29 person's name.
- 30 Sec. 39. Section 321I.33, subsection 1, Code 2009, is
- 31 amended to read as follows:
- 32 l. If ownership of an all-terrain vehicle is transferred by
- 33 operation of law, such as by inheritance, order in bankruptcy,
- 34 insolvency, replevin, or execution sale, the transferee,
- 35 within thirty days after acquiring the right to possession of

- 1 the all-terrain vehicle, shall mail or deliver to the county
- 2 recorder of the transferee's county of residence satisfactory
- 3 proof of ownership as the county recorder requires, together
- 4 with an application for a new certificate of title, and the
- 5 required fee.
- 6 Sec. 40. Section 321I.35, subsections 1 and 3, Code 2009,
- 7 are amended to read as follows:
- 8 l. The department may assign a distinguishing number to an
- 9 all-terrain vehicle when the serial number on the all-terrain
- 10 vehicle is destroyed or obliterated and issue to the owner a
- 11 special plate decal bearing the distinguishing number which
- 12 shall be affixed to the all-terrain vehicle in a position to be
- 13 determined by the department. The all-terrain vehicle shall be
- 14 registered and titled under the distinguishing number in lieu
- 15 of the former serial number. Every all-terrain vehicle shall
- 16 have a vehicle identification number assigned and affixed as
- 17 required by the department.
- 18 3. A person shall not destroy, remove, alter, cover, or
- 19 deface the manufacturer's vehicle identification number, the
- 20 plate or decal bearing it, or any vehicle identification number
- 21 the department assigns to an all-terrain vehicle without the
- 22 department's permission.
- 23 Sec. 41. Section 455A.13, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 24 follows:
- 25 455A.13 State nurseries.
- Notwithstanding section 17A.2, subsection 11,
- 27 paragraph "g", the department of natural resources shall adopt
- 28 administrative rules establishing a range of prices of plant
- 29 material grown at the state forest nurseries to cover all
- 30 expenses related to the growing of the plants.
- 31 1. 2. The department shall develop programs to encourage
- 32 the wise management and preservation of existing woodlands
- 33 and shall continue its efforts to encourage forestation and
- 34 reforestation on private and public lands in the state of Iowa
- 35 and in other states.

- 2. 3. The department shall encourage a cooperative 2 relationship between the state forest nurseries and private 3 nurseries in the state in order to achieve these goals. Sec. 42. Section 461A.25, Code 2009, is amended to read as 5 follows: 461A.25 Leases and easements. The commission may recommend that the executive 8 council lease property under the commission's jurisdiction. 9 All leases shall reserve to the public of the state the 10 right to enter upon the property leased for any lawful 11 purpose. The council may, if it approves the recommendation 12 and the If a lease to be entered into is for a period 13 of five years or less, upon approval by the commission, the 14 director shall execute the lease in on behalf of the state 15 and commission. If the recommendation is for a lease is 16 for a period in excess of five years, with the exception of 17 agricultural lands specifically dealt with in Article I, 18 section 24 of the Constitution of the State of Iowa, the 19 council commission shall advertise for bids. If a bid is 20 accepted, the lease shall be let or executed by the council in 21 accordance with the most desirable bid. The commission may 22 accept bids and approve leases the commission determines to be 23 in the best interest of the state. The lease A lease shall 24 not be executed for a term longer than fifty years. Any such 25 leasehold interest, including any improvements placed on it, 26 shall be listed on the tax rolls as provided in chapters 428 27 and 443; assessed and valued as provided in chapter 441; taxes 28 shall be levied on it as provided in chapter 444 and collected 29 as provided in chapter 445; and the leasehold interest is 30 subject to tax sale, redemption, and apportionment of taxes 31 as provided in chapters 446, 447, and 448. The lessee shall 32 discharge and pay all taxes.
- 34 easements to political subdivisions and utility companies

2. The commission shall adopt rules providing for granting

35 on state land under the jurisdiction of the department.

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- 1 An applicant for an easement shall provide the director
- 2 with information setting forth the need for the easement,
- 3 availability of alternatives, and measures proposed to prevent
- 4 or minimize adverse impacts on the affected property. An
- 5 easement shall be executed by the director, approved as to form
- 6 by the attorney general, and if granted for a term longer than
- 7 five years, approved by the commission.
- For the purposes of this section, property under the
- 9 commission's jurisdiction does not include an area of the bed
- 10 of a lake or river occupied by a dock or other appurtenance or
- 11 means of access to a dock, including but not limited to boat
- 12 hoists and boat slips, or occupied by a boat ramp, constructed
- 13 or installed and maintained under littoral or riparian rights.
- 14 Sec. 43. Section 461C.2, subsection 5, Code 2009, is amended
- 15 to read as follows:
- 16 5. "Recreational purpose" means the following or any
- 17 combination thereof: Hunting, trapping, horseback riding,
- 18 fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking, hiking,
- 19 pleasure driving, motorcycling, all-terrain vehicle
- 20 riding, nature study, water skiing, snowmobiling, other
- 21 summer and winter sports, and viewing or enjoying historical,
- 22 archaeological, scenic, or scientific sites while going to and
- 23 from or actually engaged therein.
- 24 Sec. 44. Section 462A.2, Code 2009, is amended by adding the
- 25 following new subsection:
- 26 NEW SUBSECTION. 43A. "Watercraft education certificate"
- 27 means a certificate, approved by the commission, which is
- 28 issued to a qualified applicant who is twelve years of age or
- 29 older but less than eighteen years of age who has successfully
- 30 completed a watercraft education course approved by the
- 31 department.
- 32 Sec. 45. Section 462A.12, subsection 6, Code 2009, is
- 33 amended to read as follows:
- 34 6. An owner or operator of a vessel propelled by a motor
- 35 of more than ten horsepower shall not permit any person

- 1 under twelve years of age to operate the vessel unless
 2 accompanied in or on the same vessel by a responsible person
 3 of at least eighteen years of age who is experienced in
- 4 motorboat operation. A person who is twelve years of age
- 5 or older but less than eighteen years of age shall not
- 6 operate any vessel propelled by a motor of more than ten
- 7 horsepower unless the person has successfully completed a
- 8 department-approved watercraft safety education course and
- 9 obtained a watercraft safety education certificate or is
- 10 accompanied in or on the same vessel by a responsible person
- 11 of at least eighteen years of age who is experienced in
- 12 motorboat operation. A person required to have a watercraft
- 13 safety education certificate shall carry and shall exhibit or
- 14 make available the certificate upon request of an officer of
- 15 the department. A violation of this subsection is a simple
- 16 misdemeanor as provided in section 462A.13. However, a person
- 17 charged with violating this subsection shall not be convicted
- 18 if the person produces in court, within a reasonable time, a
- 19 department-approved watercraft education certificate. The
- 20 cost of a department watercraft education certificate, or any
- 21 duplicate, shall not exceed five dollars.
- 22 Sec. 46. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. **462A.12A** Online watercraft education 23 courses.
- 1. The department shall develop requirements and standards
- 25 for online watercraft education courses. Only vendors who have
- 26 entered into a memorandum of understanding with the department
- 27 shall be approved by the department to offer an online
- 28 watercraft education course that upon successful completion is
- 29 sufficient to result in the issuance of a watercraft education
- 30 certificate to the person who completes the course.
- 31 2. A vendor approved to offer an online watercraft education
- 32 course as provided in subsection 1 may charge a fee for the
- 33 course as agreed to in the memorandum of understanding with
- 34 the department and may also collect the watercraft education
- 35 certificate fee on behalf of the department as agreed to in the

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- 1 memorandum of understanding.
- 2 Sec. 47. Section 462A.36, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 3 follows:
- 4 462A.36 Fee for special certificate minimum requirements
- 5 for issuance.
- 6 1. Any manufacturer or dealer may, upon payment of a fee of
- 7 fifteen dollars, make application to the commission, upon such
- 8 forms as the commission prescribes, for a special certificate
- 9 containing a general distinguishing number and for one or more
- 10 duplicate special certificates. The applicant shall submit
- 11 such reasonable proof of the applicant's status as a bona fide
- 12 manufacturer or dealer as the commission may require.
- 2. The commission may adopt rules consistent with this
- 14 chapter establishing minimum requirements for a dealer or
- 15 manufacturer to be issued a special certificate. In adopting
- 16 such rules the department shall consider the need to protect
- 17 persons, property, and the environment, and to promote uniform
- 18 practices relating to the sale and use of vessels. The
- 19 commission may also adopt rules providing for the suspension or
- 20 revocation of a dealer's or manufacturer's special certificate
- 21 issued pursuant to this section.
- Sec. 48. Section 462A.38, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 23 follows:
- 24 462A.38 Duplicates Duplicate special certificates.
- 25 The commission shall also issue duplicate special
- 26 certificates as applied for which shall have displayed
- 27 thereon the general distinguishing number assigned to the
- 28 applicant. Each duplicate special certificate so issued shall
- 29 contain a number or symbol identifying the same from every
- 30 other duplicate special certificate bearing the same general
- 31 distinguishing number. The fee for each additional duplicate
- 32 special certificate shall be two dollars.
- 33 Sec. 49. Section 462A.39, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 34 follows:
- 35 462A.39 Expiration date.

- 1 Each special certificate issued hereunder under this
- 2 chapter shall be for a period of three years and shall expire
- 3 at midnight on April 30 of the last calendar year of the
- 4 registration period, and a new special certificate may be
- 5 renewed for the ensuing registration another three-year period
- 6 may be obtained upon application to the commission and payment
- 7 of the fee provided by law.
- 8 Sec. 50. Section 462A.46, Code 2009, is amended to read as
- 9 follows:
- 10 462A.46 Purchase of registered vessel by dealer.
- 11 Whenever a dealer purchases or otherwise acquires a
- 12 vessel registered in this state, the dealer shall issue a
- 13 signed receipt to the previous owner, indicating the date of
- 14 purchase or acquisition, the name and address of such previous
- 15 owner, and the registration number of the vessel purchased
- 16 or acquired. The original receipt shall be delivered to the
- 17 previous owner and one copy shall be mailed or delivered by
- 18 the dealer to the county recorder of the county in which the
- 19 vessel is registered, and one copy shall be delivered to the
- 20 commission within forty-eight hours.
- 21 Sec. 51. Section 462A.52, subsections 2 and 3, Code 2009,
- 22 are amended to read as follows:
- 23 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1, any increase in revenues
- 24 received on or after July 1, 2007 2010, but on or before June
- 25 30, 2013, pursuant to this section as a result of fee increases
- 26 pursuant to 2005 Acts, ch. 137, shall be used by the commission
- 27 only for the administration and enforcement of programs to
- 28 control aquatic invasive species and for the administration and
- 29 enforcement of navigation laws and water safety upon the inland
- 30 waters of this state and shall be used in addition to funds
- 31 already being expended by the commission each year for these
- 32 purposes. The commission shall not reduce the amount of other
- 33 funds being expended on an annual basis for these purposes
- 34 as of July 1, 2005, during the period of the appropriation
- 35 provided for in this subsection.

- 1 3. The commission shall submit a written report to the 2 general assembly by December 31, 2007 2010, and by December 31 3 of each year thereafter through December 31, 2013, summarizing 4 the activities of the department in administering and enforcing 5 programs to control aquatic invasive species and administering 6 and enforcing navigation laws and water safety upon the inland 7 waters of the state. The report shall include information 8 concerning the amount of revenues collected pursuant to this 9 section as a result of fee increases pursuant to 2005 Acts, 137, and how the revenues were expended. The report shall 11 also include information concerning the amount and source of 12 all other funds expended by the commission during the year for 13 the purposes of administering and enforcing programs to control 14 aquatic invasive species and administering and enforcing 15 navigation laws and water safety upon the inland waters of the 16 state and how the funds were expended.
- 17 Sec. 52. Section 481A.22, Code 2009, is amended to read as 18 follows:
- 19 481A.22 Field and retriever meets or trials permit 20 required.

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22 and retriever meets or trials where the skill of dogs is
23 demonstrated in pointing, retrieving, trailing, or chasing any
24 game bird, game animal, or fur-bearing animal shall require a
25 field meet or trial permit. Except as otherwise provided by
26 law, it shall be unlawful to kill any wildlife in such events.

1. All officially sanctioned field meets or trials

26 law, it shall be unlawful to kill any wildlife in such events.

27 2. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 481A.21 it

28 shall be lawful to hold field meets or trials and retriever

29 meets or trials where dogs are permitted to work in exhibition

30 or contest whereby the skill of dogs is demonstrated by

31 retrieving dead or wounded game birds which have been

32 propagated by licensed game breeders within the state or

33 secured from lawful sources outside the state and lawfully

34 brought into the state. All such birds must be released on

35 the day of the meets or trials on premises where the meets

- l or trials are held.
- 2 3. a. Such birds Birds released pursuant to subsection
- 3 $\underline{\mathbf{2}}$ may be shot by official guns after having secured a permit as
- 4 herein provided.
- 5 b. Such permits may be issued by the director of the
- 6 department upon proper application and the payment of a fee of
- 7 two twenty-five dollars for each trial held with twenty-five
- 8 or more participating dogs and a fee of eight dollars for each
- 9 trial held with less than twenty-five participating dogs.
- 10 4. A representative of the department shall attend all such
- 11 meets or trials and enforce the laws and regulations governing
- 12 same the meets or trials.
- 13 5. The person or persons designated by the committee in
- 14 charge to do the shooting for such meets or trials shall be
- 15 known as the official guns, and no other person shall be
- 16 permitted to kill or attempt to kill any of the birds released
- 17 for such meets or trials.
- 18 6. Before any birds are released under this section,
- 19 they must shall each have attached a tag provided by the
- 20 department and attached by a representative of the department
- 21 at a cost of not more than ten cents for each tag. All tags
- 22 are to shall remain attached to birds until prepared for
- 23 consumption.
- 7. It is unlawful for any person to hold, conduct, or to
- 25 participate in a field or retriever meet or trial before the
- 26 permit required by this section has been secured or for any
- 27 person to possess or remove from the meet or trial grounds any
- 28 birds which have not been tagged as herein required.
- 29 Sec. 53. NEW SECTION. 481A.41 Feeding or baiting of
- 30 wildlife prohibited.
- 31 1. As used in this section, unless the context otherwise
- 32 requires:
- 33 a. "Baited area" means any area where any feed is
- 34 intentionally placed, deposited, distributed, or scattered
- 35 so as to lure, attract, or entice wildlife to, on, or over a

- 1 specific location. An area shall remain a baited area for
- 2 thirty days following complete removal of all feed, except for
- 3 salt, minerals, or any other feed that will dissolve and leach
- 4 into the soil, in which case such area shall be considered a
- 5 permanently baited area until such time as all contaminated
- 6 soil is either removed or covered in such a manner that the
- 7 area no longer serves to artificially attract wildlife.
- 8 b. "Feed" means any grain, fruit, vegetable, nut, hay,
- 9 salt, mineral, or any other natural food material, commercial
- 10 products containing natural food materials or by-products of
- 11 such materials, or other food material that is capable of
- 12 luring, attracting, or enticing wildlife. Scents or lures used
- 13 to mask human odor or attract wildlife by the sense of smell
- 14 are not considered feed.
- 15 c. "Wildlife" means any wild bird or wild animal residing in 16 or migrating through the state of Iowa.
- 2. Except as provided in subsection 3, feeding or baiting
- 18 of wildlife is unlawful. A person shall not place, deposit,
- 19 distribute, or scatter feed for wildlife on any public or
- 20 private property, or knowingly allow another person to place,
- 21 deposit, distribute, or scatter feed for wildlife on private
- 22 property under the person's ownership or lease in the state.
- 23 It shall be unlawful to hunt, take, or attempt to take any
- 24 wildlife on or in a baited area.
- 25 3. The prohibitions contained in subsection 2 are not
- 26 applicable to the following:
- 27 a. Feed that is used to attract wildlife for viewing and
- 28 observation if the feed is placed within fifty yards of a
- 29 residence, dwelling, or other structure permanently inhabited
- 30 by a person. However, such an area shall be considered a
- 31 baited area for the purpose of hunting, taking, or attempting
- 32 to take wildlife in or on that area.
- 33 b. Feed that is present solely as a result of normal
- 34 agricultural, forest management, orchard management, wildlife
- 35 food planting, or other similar land management practices.

- 1 c. Feed that is placed for agricultural or livestock
- 2 purposes if one or more of the following conditions apply:
- 3 (1) The feed is placed for domestic livestock that are
- 4 present and actively consuming the feed on a regular basis.
- 5 (2) The feed is covered to deter wildlife from gaining
- 6 access to the feed, or the feed is stored in a manner
- 7 consistent with normal agricultural practices.
- 8 d. Feed that is placed for purposes such as including
- 9 but not limited to population control, capture and handling
- 10 of wildlife, or other specific purposes under written
- 11 authorization from the director or the director's designee,
- 12 or as otherwise provided by law. This section shall not
- 13 be construed to limit employees of agencies of the state,
- 14 the United States, or local animal control officers in the
- 15 performance of their official duties related to public health,
- 16 wildlife management, or wildlife removal.
- 17 e. Feed that is placed for the purpose of luring fur-bearing
- 18 animals for trapping as permitted by law.
- 19 f. Feed that is placed within the confines of a whitetail
- 20 deer hunting preserve that is licensed by the department
- 21 pursuant to chapter 484C.
- 22 4. During the twelve-month period beginning July 1,
- 23 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, peace officers shall issue
- 24 only warning citations for violations of this section. This
- 25 subsection is repealed July 1, 2011.
- Sec. 54. Section 483A.1, subsection 2, paragraph s, Code
- 27 Supplement 2009, is amended by striking the paragraph.
- Sec. 55. Section 805.8B, subsection 2, paragraphs a and g,
- 29 Code Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:
- 30 a. For registration or user permit violations under section
- 31 321G.3, subsections subsection 1 and 2, the scheduled fine is
- 32 fifty dollars.
- 33 g. For violations of section 321G.20 and for
- 34 safety education certificate violations under section
- 35 321G.24, subsection 1, the scheduled fine is fifty dollars.

- 1 Sec. 56. Section 805.8B, subsection 2A, paragraphs a and g,
- 2 Code Supplement 2009, are amended to read as follows:
- 3 a. For registration or user permit violations under section
- 4 321I.3, subsections subsection 1 and 2, the scheduled fine is
- 5 fifty dollars.
- 6 g. For violations of section 321I.21 and for
- 7 safety education certificate violations under section
- 8 3211.26, subsection 1, the scheduled fine is fifty dollars.
- 9 Sec. 57. Section 805.8B, subsection 6, paragraph c, Code
- 10 Supplement 2009, is amended to read as follows:
- 11 c. For violations of section sections 461A.35, 461A.42,
- 12 and 461A.44, the scheduled fine is fifty dollars.
- 13 Sec. 58. REPEAL. Sections 462A.40 and 462A.42, Code 2009,
- 14 are repealed.
- 15 Sec. 59. REPEAL. Chapter 568, Code 2009, is repealed.
- 16 EXPLANATION
- 17 This bill relates to various conservation and recreation
- 18 activities under the purview of the department of natural
- 19 resources, and makes penalties applicable.
- 20 SNOWMOBILE REGULATION. The bill makes numerous revisions
- 21 to Code chapter 321G, which provides for the regulation
- 22 of snowmobiles by the department. The bill specifies that
- 23 the natural resource commission may adopt rules for the
- 24 use of snowmobiles on designated snowmobile trails and for
- 25 maintenance, signing, and operation of the trails. The scope
- 26 of grant programs and contracts administered by the department
- 27 is expanded to include the signage of designated snowmobile
- 28 trails. "Designated snowmobile trail" is defined to mean a
- 29 snowmobile riding trail on any public land, private land, or
- 30 public ice that is designated by the department, a political
- 31 subdivision, or a controlling authority for snowmobile use.
- 32 The bill specifies that the original application for
- 33 registration of a snowmobile must be filed with the county
- 34 recorder of the owner's county of residence. If a transfer
- 35 of ownership occurs by operation of law, the application must

- 1 be filed in the transferee's county of residence. Duplicate
- 2 registrations and registration renewals may be accomplished
- 3 through a county recorder or a license agent and fees collected
- 4 by a county recorder or license agent are to be remitted
- 5 directly to the commission.
- 6 The bill revises the list of exemptions from snowmobile
- 7 registration requirements by removing snowmobiles owned by
- 8 another state or a political subdivision of another state
- 9 and by adding snowmobiles owned by this state or a political
- 10 subdivision of this state. Current provisions for the
- ll issuance of registration certificates and registration decals
- 12 for snowmobiles owned by the state of Iowa or its political
- 13 subdivisions is stricken.
- 14 The bill makes a technical change requiring every snowmobile
- 15 to be equipped with a headlight and a taillight, rather than a
- 16 headlamp and a tail lamp.
- 17 The bill increases the fee for a special registration
- 18 certificate from \$15 to \$45 for snowmobile manufacturers,
- 19 distributors, and dealers and extends the registration
- 20 period from one year to three years. The bill provides
- 21 for the issuance of a special registration decal along with
- 22 the special registration certificate. The decal is to be
- 23 displayed on a snowmobile when it is being operated for
- 24 purposes of transporting, testing, demonstrating, or selling
- 25 the snowmobile. Duplicate registration certificates and decals
- 26 may be issued for a fee of \$5.
- 27 Pursuant to current law, a safety certificate is required
- 28 for operation of a snowmobile by a person under 16 years of
- 29 age, and a person 12 to 15 years of age must be under the direct
- 30 supervision of a parent, guardian, or another adult authorized
- 31 by the parent or guardian when operating a snowmobile. The
- 32 bill makes a terminology change by replacing the existing
- 33 "safety certificate" with an "education certificate" throughout
- 34 Code chapter 321G. In addition, the bill defines "direct
- 35 supervision" to mean providing supervision of another person

1 while maintaining visual and verbal contact at all times. 2 The bill authorizes the department to develop requirements 3 and standards for the provision of online education resulting 4 in the issuance of education certificates. A vendor must 5 enter into a memorandum of understanding with the department 6 to conduct such a course. Pursuant to the memorandum of 7 understanding, a vendor may charge a fee for the online course 8 and collect the education certificate fee on behalf of the 9 department. 10 The bill provides that when a serial number on a snowmobile 11 is destroyed or obliterated and the department assigns a 12 distinguishing number to the snowmobile, the department may 13 issue a special decal, rather than a plate, to be affixed to 14 the snowmobile and bearing the distinguishing number. ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE REGULATION. The bill makes numerous 15 16 revisions to Code chapter 3211, which provides for the 17 regulation of all-terrain vehicles by the department. The bill 18 specifies that the original application for registration of an 19 all-terrain vehicle must be filed with the county recorder of 20 the county of residence. If a transfer of ownership occurs 21 by operation of law, the application must be filed in the 22 transferee's county of residence. Duplicate registrations and 23 registration renewals may be accomplished through a county 24 recorder or a license agent, and fees collected by a county 25 recorder or license agent are to be remitted directly to the 26 commission. The bill revises the list of exemptions from 27 registration requirements by removing all-terrain vehicles 28 owned by another state or a political subdivision of another 29 state and by adding all-terrain vehicles owned by this state 30 or a political subdivision of this state. Current provisions 31 for the issuance of registration certificates and registration 32 decals for all-terrain vehicles owned by the state of Iowa or 33 its political subdivisions is stricken. 34 The bill makes a technical change requiring every 35 all-terrain vehicle to be equipped with a headlight and a

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- 1 taillight, rather than a headlamp and a tail lamp.
- 2 The bill provides for the inclusion of motorcycles and
- 3 off-road utility vehicles in special events and strikes a
- 4 requirement for the crediting of motorcycle entrance fees for
- 5 such events. Also, the requirement that the department furnish
- 6 a copy of the rules for a special event to an applicant for the
- 7 event is stricken in the bill.
- 8 The bill makes technical changes to clarify language
- 9 relating to a person who violates a stop signal from a peace
- 10 officer.
- 11 The bill increases the fee for a special registration
- 12 certificate from \$15 to \$45 for all-terrain vehicle
- 13 manufacturers, distributors, and dealers and extends the
- 14 registration period from one year to three years. The bill
- 15 provides for the issuance of a special registration decal
- 16 along with the special registration certificate. The decal
- 17 is to be displayed on an all-terrain vehicle when it is being
- 18 operated for purposes of transporting, testing, demonstrating,
- 19 or selling the vehicle. Duplicate registration certificates
- 20 and decals may be issued for a fee of \$5.
- 21 Pursuant to current law, a safety certificate is required
- 22 for operation of an all-terrain vehicle on public land or ice
- 23 by a person between 12 and 18 years of age. The bill replaces
- 24 the "safety certificate" with an "education certificate"
- 25 throughout Code chapter 321I. The bill authorizes the
- 26 department to develop requirements and standards for the
- 27 provision of online education resulting in the issuance of
- 28 education certificates. A vendor must enter into a memorandum
- 29 of understanding with the department to conduct such a course.
- 30 Pursuant to the memorandum of understanding, a vendor may
- 31 charge a fee for the online course and collect the education
- 32 certificate fee on behalf of the department.
- 33 The bill provides that when a serial number on an all-terrain
- 34 vehicle is destroyed or obliterated and the department assigns
- 35 a distinguishing number to the all-terrain vehicle, the

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- 1 department may issue a special decal, rather than a plate,
- 2 to be affixed to the all-terrain vehicle and bearing the
- 3 distinguishing number.
- 4 STATE NURSERIES. Code section 455A.13 is amended to require
- 5 the department to continue to develop programs to encourage
- 6 the wise management and preservation of existing woodlands and
- 7 reforestation on private and public land both in Iowa and other
- 8 states.
- 9 LEASES OF PUBLIC PROPERTY. Code section 461A.25 is amended
- 10 to provide that the natural resource commission instead of the
- 11 executive council may approve leases of public property that
- 12 are in the best interest of the state. Leases that are for
- 13 a period in excess of five years must be advertised for bids
- 14 before approval by the commission.
- 15 PUBLIC USE OF PRIVATE LANDS AND WATERS. Code section
- 16 461C.2(5) is amended to include all-terrain vehicle riding
- 17 among the public recreational purposes to be encouraged on
- 18 private land in the state.
- 19 WATERCRAFT EDUCATION COURSES AND CERTIFICATES. Code section
- 20 462A.2 is amended to include a definition of "watercraft
- 21 education certificate" that is issued to a qualified applicant
- 22 12 to 17 years of age. Code section 462A.12(6) is amended to
- 23 change the nomenclature for the requirements that must be met
- 24 by a 12 to 17 year old to operate certain watercraft without an
- 25 adult in the watercraft. Such a person is required to complete
- 26 a department-approved watercraft education, instead of safety,
- 27 course and obtain a watercraft education, instead of safety,
- 28 certificate.
- 29 New Code section 462A.12A requires the department to
- 30 develop requirements and standards for vendors to offer online
- 31 watercraft education courses. Approved vendors may charge a
- 32 fee for the course as provided in a memorandum of understanding
- 33 with the department and must also collect the watercraft
- 34 education certificate fee on behalf of the department if the
- 35 course is offered independently of a required field day or

- 1 other curriculum requirements.
- 2 SPECIAL CERTIFICATES FOR WATERCRAFT DEALERS AND
- 3 MANUFACTURERS. Code section 462A.36 is amended to require the
- 4 natural resource commission to adopt rules establishing minimum
- 5 requirements for special certificates to be issued, suspended,
- 6 or revoked for vessel dealers or manufacturers, instead
- 7 of registrations, considering the need to protect persons,
- 8 property, and the environment, and to promote uniform practices
- 9 relating to the sale and use of vessels.
- 10 Code section 462A.38 is amended to delete a requirement that
- 11 duplicate special certificates issued contain unique numbers
- 12 or symbols.
- 13 Code section 462A.39 is amended to provide that each special
- 14 certificate is issued for three years, expires on April 30 of
- 15 the last calendar year of the registration period, and may be
- 16 renewed for another three-year period upon application and
- 17 payment of a fee.
- 18 Code section 462A.40, requiring manufacturers or dealers
- 19 to keep written records of the vessels upon which special
- 20 certificates are used, and Code section 462A.42, requiring
- 21 dealers to furnish a list to the commission each year of all
- 22 used vessels held by them and for which registration has not
- 23 been paid, are repealed.
- 24 Code section 462A.46 is amended to delete a requirement that
- 25 when a dealer purchases or acquires a registered vessel, the
- 26 dealer must mail or deliver a copy of the original receipt
- 27 issued to the county recorder of the county where the vessel
- 28 is registered and to the natural resource commission within 48
- 29 hours.
- 30 CONTROL OF AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES. Code section 462A.52
- 31 is amended to provide that the natural resource commission is
- 32 not limited to using increases in revenue received on or after
- 33 July 1, 2010, resulting from boat registration fee increases
- 34 enacted in 2005, for the administration and enforcement
- 35 of programs to control aquatic invasive species and to the

1 administration and enforcement of navigation laws and water 2 safety only upon the inland waters of the state. WILDLIFE CONSERVATION. Code section 481A.22 is amended to 4 provide that permits allowing birds released at an officially 5 sanctioned field or retriever meet or trial to be shot by 6 designated persons, may be issued by the director of the 7 department of natural resources upon application and payment of 8 a fee based on the number of participating dogs. New Code section 481A.41 prohibits the feeding or baiting 10 of wild birds or animals by intentionally placing, depositing, 11 distributing, or scattering feed to lure or attract such 12 wildlife to a specific location. The provision also prohibits 13 hunting, taking, or attempting to take wildlife in such 14 an area. There are a number of specific exceptions to the 15 prohibition against feeding or baiting wildlife. Peace 16 officers shall issue warning citations for a violation of the 17 new provision from July 1, 2010, through June 30, 2011. 18 FALCONRY LICENSE. Code section 483A.1(2)(s) allowing for 19 the sale of falconry licenses to nonresidents, is stricken. 20 ISLANDS AND ABANDONED RIVER CHANNELS. Code chapter 568 21 concerning the sale and disposal of abandoned channels of 22 navigable streams and unsurveyed or unplatted bars or islands 23 in the channels of navigable streams in Iowa, is repealed. 24 PUBLIC LANDS AND WATERS - PENALTIES. Code section 25 805.8B(6)(c) is amended to provide that a violation of Code 26 section 461A.35 prohibiting destructive acts on public lands 27 and waters, and Code section 461A.42 prohibiting the use of 28 firearms, explosives, weapons, and fireworks in state parks and 29 preserves with some exceptions, is punishable as a scheduled

30 violation with a fine of \$50. Currently, a person who violates 31 one of these Code sections is guilty of a simple misdemeanor.