

Senate File 311 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to permits issued by the department of
2 transportation to allow all-terrain vehicle trails to cross
3 primary highways.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321I.10, subsection 5, Code 2017, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 5. a. The state department of transportation may issue
4 a permit to a state agency, a county, or a city to allow an
5 all-terrain vehicle trail to cross a primary highway. The
6 trail crossing shall be part of an all-terrain vehicle trail
7 designated by the state agency, county, or city. A city
8 street that has been designated by a city for the operation of
9 registered all-terrain vehicles shall be considered to be an
10 all-terrain vehicle trail for the purposes of this subsection.
11 A county roadway that has been designated by a county for
12 the operation of registered all-terrain vehicles shall be
13 considered to be an all-terrain vehicle trail for the purposes
14 of this subsection. A permit shall be issued pursuant to
15 this subsection only if the crossing can be accomplished in a
16 safe manner and allows for adequate sight distance for both
17 motorists and all-terrain vehicle operators.

18 b. Notwithstanding paragraph "a", the state department of
19 transportation shall issue a permit to allow an all-terrain
20 vehicle trail to cross a primary highway if the intersection
21 of the trail and the highway is regulated by an official
22 traffic-control signal as defined in section 321.1 upon the
23 request of a state agency, a county, or a city.

24 c. The state department of transportation may adopt rules
25 to administer this subsection.

26 EXPLANATION

27 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
28 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

29 This bill relates to permits issued by the department of
30 transportation to allow all-terrain vehicle trails to cross
31 primary highways.

32 The bill provides that a city street or a county roadway that
33 has been designated by the city or county for the operation of
34 all-terrain vehicles shall be considered an all-terrain vehicle
35 trail for the purposes of issuing such permits.

1 The bill requires the department of transportation to
2 issue a permit to allow an all-terrain vehicle trail to cross
3 a primary highway if the intersection of the trail and the
4 highway is regulated by an official traffic-control signal as
5 defined in Code section 321.1. Code section 321.1(47) defines
6 "official traffic-control signal" as any device, whether
7 manually, electrically, or mechanically operated, by which
8 traffic is alternately directed to stop and to proceed.