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On Behalf Of:

Committee: Joint Committee On Transportation

Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3155

I am here to strongly advocate for the passage of this bill, which responsibly permits the operation of Class I, Class III, and Class IV All-Terrain Vehicles on non-interstate highways under specific conditions.

This bill offers a balanced approach, recognizing both recreational opportunities and public safety. It intelligently allows access to a wider network of roads while maintaining essential safeguards.

Key Benefits of this Bill:

- * Expanded Recreation: Provides ATV enthusiasts with increased legal riding areas, enhancing outdoor recreation and enjoyment.
- * Economic Stimulus: Boosts local economies through tourism, ATV-related businesses, and spending in communities along accessible routes.
- * Responsible Access: Requires strict adherence to vehicle equipment standards and mandatory registration, directly addressing safety and accountability concerns. This ensures responsible ATV operation on public roads.
- * Efficient Road Network Use: Utilizes existing non-interstate highway infrastructure more effectively for recreational purposes where appropriate.

This bill is not about unrestricted access. It is about responsible, regulated access. The equipment standards and registration requirements are crucial components, ensuring that only compliant and registered ATVs can operate on these highways. This provides a framework for safe and legal operation.

By passing this bill, you will be supporting:

- * Responsible recreation and outdoor access.
- * Economic growth in relevant sectors.
- * A sensible and balanced approach to ATV operation.

I urge you to support this bill. It represents a positive step forward for responsible ATV recreation and economic opportunity within our state/jurisdiction.