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HOUSE BILL ***1109***

AN ACT relative to the authority of a city or town to limit the use or operation of an OHRV on certain ways.

SPONSORS: Rep. Renzullo, Hills. 37; Rep. Gould, Hills. 7; Rep. Gottling, Sull. 2

COMMITTEE: Resources, Recreation and Development

AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill provides that a city or town may limit the use or operation of an OHRV on certain ways.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Two

AN ACT relative to the authority of a city or town to limit the use or operation of an OHRV on certain ways.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 294:1 Operation of All OHRVs; OHRV Operation on Sidewalks, Class IV, Class V, and Class VI
2 Roads. Amend RSA 215-A:6, IX to read as follows:

3 IX. **(a)** Pursuant to RSA 215-A:15, and following a duly noticed public hearing advertised at least
4 14 days in advance in a public location in the city or town and notification to abutters by verified mail
5 pursuant to RSA 21:53, city or town councils and boards of selectmen may authorize the use of sidewalks
6 and class IV, class V or class VI highways and bridges, or portions thereof, for use by OHRVs. The
7 operation of OHRVs may also be allowed on sidewalks adjacent to class I, II, III, or III-a highways
8 pursuant to RSA 236:56, II(e). Operators of OHRVs using said roads, or portions thereof, shall keep to
9 the extreme right and shall yield to all conventional motor vehicle traffic. The bureau, or its designee,
10 shall so post such highways where authorized. Following a duly noticed public hearing, except in the
11 case of an emergency closure, such city or town authorities may change the allowable usage of a class
12 IV, class V, or class VI highway by OHRVs by giving notification to the supervisor of the bureau and
13 removing any signs that no longer apply. The petitioner shall bear the expense of verified mail notification
14 to abutters of property for which OHRV use is sought under this paragraph.

15 ***(b) If an abutter can show damage or deterioration to such a road that limits their ability to***
16 ***access their property resulting from recreational use, the governing body of the city or town may adopt***
17 ***regulations to close or limit the operation or use of a way in order to mitigate damage or deterioration.***

294:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.

Approved: July 01, 2022
Effective Date: August 30, 2022