
ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 29—COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
(ON BEHALF OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION
AND NATURAL RESOURCES)

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Referred to Committee on Transportation

SUMMARY—Revises provisions governing off-highway vehicles.
(BDR 18-220)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to off-highway vehicles; creating the Off-Highway Vehicles Program in the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources; placing the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles within the Department; revising provisions regarding the membership and duties of the Commission; reducing the late fee imposed for failure to register an off-highway vehicle; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law creates the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles and authorizes
2 the Commission to award grants of money from the Account for Off-Highway
3 Vehicles to certain applicants for projects relating to off-highway vehicle use and
4 off-highway trails and facilities. (NRS 490.067, 490.068, 490.069) **Sections 4 and**
5 **6** of this bill place the Commission within the State Department of Conservation
6 and Natural Resources.

7 **Section 1** of this bill creates the Off-Highway Vehicles Program in the State
8 Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. In administering the Program,
9 the Director of the Department, within the limits of approved funding, is required to
10 to: (1) provide certain support and assistance to the Commission on Off-Highway
11 Vehicles; and (2) administer the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles. **Section 1**
12 further requires the Director to include in his or her budget the money necessary,
13 within the limits of legislative appropriations for the Account, for: (1) certain
14 expenses of the Program and the Commission; and (2) a reserve amount.

15 Under existing law, each member of the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles
16 is entitled to receive, if money is available for that purpose, the per diem allowance



17 and travel expenses provided for state officers and employees generally. (NRS
18 490.067) **Section 6** provides that, if money is available for that purpose, any
19 member of the Commission who is not an officer or employee of the State is
20 entitled to receive a salary of not more than \$80 per day for each day of attendance
21 at a meeting of the Commission. **Section 6** further provides a procedure for
22 replacing a member of the Commission who fails to attend at least three
23 consecutive meetings.

24 Under existing law, the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is required to
25 solicit nine nonvoting advisors to the Commission from various state and federal
26 agencies. (NRS 490.068) **Section 7** of this bill removes that requirement, and
27 **section 6** also: (1) revises the membership of the Commission; and (2) adds to the
28 Commission four nonvoting, ex officio members. **Section 7** also sets forth
29 requirements for establishing a quorum of the Commission for transacting business.
30 Finally, **sections 1 and 7** revise provisions requiring a comprehensive report that
31 must be submitted to the Legislature, providing that the report must be prepared by
32 the Director of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, then
33 reviewed and approved by the Chair of the Commission before being submitted to
34 each regular session of the Legislature.

35 Under existing law, fees paid for titling and registration of an off-highway
36 vehicle are deposited into the Revolving Account for the Administration of Off-
37 Highway Vehicle Titling and Registration. (NRS 490.084) The Department of
38 Motor Vehicles is required to transfer, at least once each fiscal quarter, any amount
39 in excess of \$150,000 in that Account into the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles.
40 (NRS 490.085) The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is required to
41 administer the money in the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles. (NRS 490.069)
42 **Section 8** of this bill requires the Director of the State Department of Conservation
43 and Natural Resources to administer the Account. **Section 8** also requires a portion
44 of the money in the Account be used to maintain a reserve amount.

45 Under existing law, if the owner of an off-highway vehicle that is registered in
46 this State fails to renew the registration before it expires, the registration may be
47 reinstated upon payment of the annual renewal fee, a late fee of \$25 and, if
48 applicable, the submission of proof of insurance, which is only required for certain
49 larger all-terrain vehicles that are authorized to operate on certain county roads.
50 (NRS 490.082, 490.0825, 490.105) **Section 9** of this bill reduces the late fee to \$10.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** Chapter 232 of NRS is hereby amended by adding
2 thereto a new section to read as follows:

3 *1. The Off-Highway Vehicles Program is hereby created in*
4 *the Department. The Director shall administer the Program. The*
5 *Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles created by NRS 490.067*
6 *shall provide direction to the Program pursuant to its authority*
7 *and duties provided in NRS 490.068 and 490.069.*

8 *2. In administering the Program, the Director shall, within*
9 *the limits of authorized expenditures:*

10 *(a) Administer the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles created*
11 *by NRS 490.069; and*



1 (b) Provide staff to the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles
2 for the purposes of:

3 (1) Providing assistance, support and technical advice to
4 the Commission; and

5 (2) Assisting in the coordination of the activities and duties
6 of the Commission.

7 3. The Director may form a technical advisory committee as
8 needed to provide input to the Commission on Off-Highway
9 Vehicles regarding the completeness and merit of applications
10 received by the Commission for a grant from the Account for Off-
11 Highway Vehicles.

12 4. The Director shall prepare, for each regular session of the
13 Legislature, a comprehensive report that includes, without
14 limitation:

15 (a) The general activities of the Commission on Off-Highway
16 Vehicles;

17 (b) The fiscal activities of the Commission on Off-Highway
18 Vehicles; and

19 (c) A summary of any grants awarded by the Commission on
20 Off-Highway Vehicles.

21 ↪ Upon completion of the report, the Director shall submit the
22 report to the Chair of the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles
23 for review pursuant to NRS 490.068.

24 5. The Director shall include in his or her budget the money
25 necessary, within the limits of legislative authorizations for the
26 Account for Off-Highway Vehicles, for:

27 (a) The operating expenses of the Commission on Off-
28 Highway Vehicles;

29 (b) The administrative expenses of the Program to carry out
30 the provisions of this section; and

31 (c) A reserve amount as approved by the Legislature.

32 6. The Director may adopt regulations for the operation of
33 the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles and the Program.

34 7. As used in this section:

35 (a) "Administrative expenses" includes, without limitation,
36 hiring any staff necessary to carry out the provisions of this
37 section.

38 (b) "Operating expenses" includes, without limitation, any
39 costs of contracting with a third party to provide education and
40 information to the members of the public relating to the provisions
41 of chapter 490 of NRS governing the lawful use and registration
42 of off-highway vehicles.

43 **Sec. 2.** NRS 232.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

44 232.010 As used in NRS 232.010 to 232.162, inclusive **H** ,
45 and section 1 of this act:



1 1. "Department" means the State Department of Conservation
2 and Natural Resources.

3 2. "Director" means the Director of the State Department of
4 Conservation and Natural Resources.

5 **Sec. 3.** NRS 232.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

6 232.070 1. As executive head of the Department, the Director
7 is responsible for the administration, through the divisions and other
8 units of the Department, of all provisions of law relating to the
9 functions of the Department, except functions assigned by law to the
10 State Environmental Commission, the State Conservation
11 Commission, the Commission for Cultural Centers and Historic
12 Preservation, *the Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles* or the
13 Sagebrush Ecosystem Council.

14 2. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the Director
15 shall:

16 (a) Establish departmental goals, objectives and priorities.

17 (b) Approve divisional goals, objectives and priorities.

18 (c) Approve divisional and departmental budgets, legislative
19 proposals, contracts, agreements and applications for federal
20 assistance.

21 (d) Coordinate divisional programs within the Department and
22 coordinate departmental and divisional programs with other
23 departments and with other levels of government.

24 (e) Appoint the executive head of each division within the
25 Department.

26 (f) Delegate to the executive heads of the divisions such
27 authorities and responsibilities as the Director deems necessary for
28 the efficient conduct of the business of the Department.

29 (g) Establish new administrative units or programs which may
30 be necessary for the efficient operation of the Department, and alter
31 departmental organization and reassign responsibilities as the
32 Director deems appropriate.

33 (h) From time to time adopt, amend and rescind such regulations
34 as the Director deems necessary for the administration of the
35 Department.

36 (i) Consider input from members of the public, industries and
37 representatives of organizations, associations, groups or other
38 entities concerned with matters of conservation and natural
39 resources on the following:

40 (1) Matters relating to the establishment and maintenance of
41 an adequate policy of forest and watershed protection;

42 (2) Matters relating to the park and recreational policy of the
43 State;

44 (3) The use of land within this State which is under the
45 jurisdiction of the Federal Government;



1 (4) The effect of state and federal agencies' programs and
2 regulations on the users of land under the jurisdiction of the Federal
3 Government, and on the problems of those users of land; and

4 (5) The preservation, protection and use of this State's
5 natural resources.

6 3. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, the Director
7 may enter into cooperative agreements with any federal or state
8 agency or political subdivision of the State, any public or private
9 institution located in or outside the State of Nevada, or any other
10 person, in connection with studies and investigations pertaining to
11 any activities of the Department.

12 4. This section does not confer upon the Director any powers
13 or duties which are delegated by law to the State Environmental
14 Commission, the State Conservation Commission, the Commission
15 for Cultural Centers and Historic Preservation, *the Commission on*
16 *Off-Highway Vehicles* or the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council, but the
17 Director may foster cooperative agreements and coordinate
18 programs and activities involving the powers and duties of the
19 Commissions and the Council.

20 5. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 232.159 and 232.161,
21 all gifts of money and other property which the Director is
22 authorized to accept must be accounted for in the Department of
23 Conservation and Natural Resources Gift Fund which is hereby
24 created as a trust fund.

25 **Sec. 4.** NRS 232.090 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 232.090 1. The Department consists of the Director and the
27 following:

28 (a) The Division of Water Resources.

29 (b) The Division of State Lands.

30 (c) The Division of Forestry.

31 (d) The Division of State Parks.

32 (e) The Division of Environmental Protection.

33 (f) The Office of Historic Preservation.

34 (g) Such other divisions as the Director may from time to time
35 establish.

36 2. The State Environmental Commission, the State
37 Conservation Commission, the Commission for Cultural Centers
38 and Historic Preservation, *the Commission on Off-Highway*
39 *Vehicles*, the Conservation Districts Program, the Nevada Natural
40 Heritage Program, the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council and the Board
41 to Review Claims are within the Department.

42 **Sec. 5.** NRS 490.066 is hereby amended to read as follows:

43 490.066 ~~¶The~~ *Except as otherwise provided in NRS 490.068*
44 *and section 1 of this act, the* Director may adopt and enforce such



1 administrative regulations as are necessary to carry out the
2 provisions of this chapter.

3 **Sec. 6.** NRS 490.067 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 490.067 1. The Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles is
5 hereby created ~~{}~~ *in the State Department of Conservation and*
6 *Natural Resources.*

7 2. The Commission consists of: ~~{}~~ *members as follows:*

8 (a) One member who is an authorized dealer, appointed by the
9 Governor;

10 (b) One member who is a sportsman, appointed by the Governor
11 from a list of persons submitted by the Director of the Department
12 of Wildlife;

13 (c) One member who is a rancher, appointed by the Governor
14 from a list of persons submitted by the Director of the State
15 Department of Agriculture;

16 (d) One member who is a representative of the Nevada
17 Association of Counties, appointed by the Governor from a list of
18 persons submitted by the Executive Director of the Association;

19 (e) One member who is a representative of law enforcement,
20 appointed by the Governor from a list of persons submitted by the
21 Nevada Sheriffs' and Chiefs' Association;

22 (f) One member ~~{}~~ *who is a representative of conservation*
23 *organizations,* appointed by the Governor ~~{}~~ *from a list of persons*
24 *submitted by the Director of the State Department of Conservation*
25 *and Natural Resources, who:*

26 ~~— (1) Possesses a degree in soil science, rangeland ecosystems~~
27 ~~science or a related field;~~

28 ~~— (2) Has at least 5 years of experience working in one of the~~
29 ~~fields described in subparagraph (1); and~~

30 ~~— (3) Is knowledgeable about the ecosystems of the Great~~
31 ~~Basin Region of central Nevada or the Mojave Desert;~~

32 ~~— (g) One member, appointed by the Governor, who is a~~
33 ~~representative of an organization that represents persons who use~~
34 ~~off-highway vehicles to access areas to participate in recreational~~
35 ~~activities that do not primarily involve off-highway vehicles; and~~

36 ~~— (h) Four;~~

37 (g) *Three* members, appointed by the Governor, who reside in
38 the State of Nevada and have participated in recreational activities
39 for off-highway vehicles for at least 5 years using the type of off-
40 highway vehicle owned or operated by the persons they will
41 represent, as follows:

42 (1) One member who represents persons who own or operate
43 all-terrain vehicles;



1 (2) One member who represents persons who own or operate
2 all-terrain motorcycles ~~†~~ *and who is involved with or participates*
3 *in the racing of off-highway motorcycles; and*

4 (3) One member who represents persons who own or operate
5 snowmobiles . ~~†; and~~

6 ~~— (4) One member who represents persons who own or~~
7 ~~operate, and participate in the racing of, off-highway motorcycles.†~~

8 3. *The following are nonvoting, ex officio members of the*
9 *Commission:*

10 (a) *The State Director of the Nevada State Office of the*
11 *Bureau of Land Management;*

12 (b) *The Forest Supervisor for the Humboldt-Toiyabe National*
13 *Forest;*

14 (c) *The Director of the Department of Tourism and Cultural*
15 *Affairs; and*

16 (d) *The Director of the Department of Motor Vehicles.*

17 4. *A nonvoting, ex officio member of the Commission may*
18 *appoint, in writing, an alternate to serve in his or her place on the*
19 *Commission.*

20 5. The Governor shall not appoint to the Commission any
21 member described in paragraph ~~†(h)†~~ (g) of subsection 2 unless the
22 member has been recommended to the Governor by an off-highway
23 vehicle organization. As used in this subsection, “off-highway
24 vehicle organization” means a profit or nonprofit corporation,
25 association or organization formed pursuant to the laws of this State
26 and which promotes off-highway vehicle recreation or racing.

27 ~~†4†~~ 6. After the initial terms, each member of the Commission
28 *appointed pursuant to subsection 2* serves for a term of 3 years. A
29 vacancy on the Commission must be filled in the same manner as
30 the original appointment.

31 ~~†5†~~ 7. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a
32 member of the Commission *who is appointed* may not serve more
33 than two consecutive terms on the Commission. A member who has
34 served two consecutive terms on the Commission may be
35 reappointed if the Governor does not receive any applications for
36 that member’s seat or if the Governor determines that no qualified
37 applicants are available to fill that member’s seat.

38 ~~†6†~~ 8. The Governor shall ensure that, insofar as practicable,
39 the members appointed to the Commission *pursuant to subsection 2*
40 reflect the geographical diversity of this State.

41 ~~†7†~~ 9. Each member of the Commission:

42 (a) Is entitled to receive, if money is available for that purpose ,
43 ~~†from the fees collected pursuant to NRS-490.084,†~~ the per diem
44 allowance and travel expenses provided for state officers and
45 employees generally.



1 (b) *Who is not an officer or employee of the State of Nevada is*
2 *entitled to receive, if money is available for that purpose, a salary*
3 *of not more than \$80 per day for each day of attendance at a*
4 *meeting of the Commission.*

5 (c) Shall swear or affirm that he or she will work to create and
6 promote responsible off-highway vehicle recreation in the State.
7 ~~¶The Governor may remove a member from the Commission if the~~
8 ~~member violates the oath described in this paragraph.~~

9 ~~—8. The Commission may employ an Executive Secretary, who~~
10 ~~must not be a member of the Commission, to assist in its daily~~
11 ~~operations and in administering the Account for Off Highway~~
12 ~~Vehicles created by NRS 490.069.~~

13 ~~—9. The Commission may adopt regulations for the operation of~~
14 ~~the Commission. Upon request by the Commission, the nonvoting~~
15 ~~advisers solicited by the Commission pursuant to NRS 490.068 may~~
16 ~~provide assistance to the Commission in adopting those~~
17 ~~regulations.¶~~

18 *10. A member of the Commission who is appointed by the*
19 *Governor and who fails to attend at least three consecutive*
20 *meetings of the Commission is subject to replacement. The*
21 *Commission shall notify the appointing authority or group who*
22 *recommended the member for appointment, if any, and the*
23 *appointing authority or group may recommend a person to replace*
24 *that member of the Commission. The replacement of a member*
25 *pursuant to this subsection must be conducted in the same manner*
26 *as the original appointment.*

27 **Sec. 7.** NRS 490.068 is hereby amended to read as follows:
28 490.068 1. The Commission shall:

29 (a) Elect a Chair ~~¶~~ and Vice Chair ~~¶, Secretary and Treasurer¶~~
30 from among its members.

31 (b) Meet at the call of the Chair.

32 (c) Meet at least four times each year.

33 (d) ~~¶Solicit nine nonvoting advisers to the Commission to serve~~
34 ~~for terms of 2 years as follows:~~

35 ~~—(1) One adviser from the Bureau of Land Management.~~

36 ~~—(2) One adviser from the United States Forest Service.~~

37 ~~—(3) One adviser who is:~~

38 ~~—(I) From the Natural Resources Conservation Service of~~
39 ~~the United States Department of Agriculture; or~~

40 ~~—(II) A teacher, instructor or professor at an institution of~~
41 ~~the Nevada System of Higher Education and who provides~~
42 ~~instruction in environmental science or a related field.~~

43 ~~—(4) One adviser from the State Department of Conservation~~
44 ~~and Natural Resources.~~

45 ~~—(5) One adviser from the Department of Wildlife.~~



1 ~~— (6) One adviser from the Department of Motor Vehicles.~~
2 ~~— (7) One adviser from the Commission on Tourism, other than~~
3 ~~the Chair of the Nevada Indian Commission.~~

4 ~~— (8) One adviser from the Nevada Indian Commission.~~

5 ~~— (9) One adviser from the United States Fish and Wildlife~~
6 ~~Service.] Provide direction to the Off-Highway Vehicles Program~~
7 ~~created by section 1 of this act.~~

8 (e) Perform the duties assigned to the Commission set forth in
9 NRS 490.083 and 490.084.

10 2. A majority of the voting members of the Commission
11 constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business, and a
12 majority vote of those members present at any meeting is sufficient
13 for any official action taken by the Commission.

14 3. The Commission may award a grant of money from the
15 Account for Off-Highway Vehicles created by NRS 490.069. Any
16 such grant must comply with the requirements set forth in NRS
17 490.069. The Commission shall:

18 (a) Adopt regulations setting forth who may apply for a grant of
19 money from the Account for Off-Highway Vehicles and the manner
20 in which such ~~person~~ *an applicant* may submit the application to
21 the Commission. The regulations adopted pursuant to this paragraph
22 must include, without limitation, requirements that:

23 (1) Any ~~person~~ *applicant* requesting a grant provide proof
24 satisfactory to the Commission that the appropriate federal, state or
25 local governmental agency has been consulted regarding the nature
26 of the project to be funded by the grant and regarding the area
27 affected by the project;

28 (2) The application for the grant address all applicable laws
29 and regulations, including, without limitation, those concerning:

30 (I) Threatened and endangered species in the area affected
31 by the project;

32 (II) Ecological, cultural and archaeological sites in the
33 area affected by the project; and

34 (III) Existing land use authorizations and prohibitions,
35 land use plans, special designations and local ordinances for the area
36 affected by the project; and

37 (3) Any compliance information provided by an appropriate
38 federal, state or local governmental agency, and any information or
39 advice provided by any agency, group or individual be submitted
40 with the application for the grant.

41 (b) Adopt regulations for awarding grants from the Account ~~f~~
42 ~~—(c) Adopt regulations for determining the~~, *including, without*
43 *limitation, the determination of* acceptable performance of work on a
44 project for which a grant is awarded.



1 ~~[(d) Approve the completion of, and payment of money for,~~
2 ~~work performed on a project for which a grant is awarded, if the~~
3 ~~Commission determines the work is acceptable.~~

4 ~~—(e) Monitor the accounting activities of the Account.~~

5 ~~—3.— The nonvoting advisers solicited by the]~~

6 **4. The Commission** ~~[pursuant to paragraph (d) of subsection 1~~
7 ~~shall assist the Commission in carrying out the duties set forth in~~
8 ~~this section and shall review for completeness and for compliance~~
9 ~~with the requirements of paragraph (a) of subsection 2 all]~~ **may**
10 **solicit input regarding** applications for grants ~~[-~~

11 ~~—4.]~~ **from a technical advisory committee formed pursuant to**
12 **section 1 of this act.**

13 **5.** For each regular session of the Legislature, the **Chair of the**
14 **Commission** shall ~~[prepare a]~~ **review the** comprehensive report ~~[-~~
15 ~~including, without limitation, a summary of any grants that the~~
16 ~~Commission awarded and of the accounting activities of the~~
17 ~~Account, and any recommendations of the Commission for~~
18 ~~proposed legislation. The]~~ **prepared pursuant to section 1 of this**
19 **act. Upon approval of the report by the Chair of the Commission,**
20 **the** report must be submitted to the Director of the Legislative
21 Counsel Bureau for distribution to the Legislature not later than
22 September 1 of each even-numbered year.

23 **Sec. 8.** NRS 490.069 is hereby amended to read as follows:

24 490.069 1. The Account for Off-Highway Vehicles is hereby
25 created in the State General Fund as a revolving account. The
26 ~~[Commission]~~ **Director of the State Department of Conservation**
27 **and Natural Resources** shall administer the Account. Any money
28 remaining in the Account at the end of a fiscal year does not revert
29 to the State General Fund, and the balance in the Account must be
30 carried forward to the next fiscal year.

31 2. ~~[During the period beginning on July 1, 2012, and ending on~~
32 ~~June 30, 2013, money in the Account may only be used by the~~
33 ~~Commission for the reasonable administrative costs of the~~
34 ~~Commission and to inform the public of the requirements of this~~
35 ~~chapter.~~

36 ~~—3.]~~ On or after July 1, ~~[2013,]~~ **2017**, money in the Account may
37 only be used ~~[by the Commission]~~ as follows:

38 (a) ~~[Not more than 5 percent of the money that is in the Account~~
39 ~~as of January 1 of each year may be used for the reasonable]~~ **To pay**
40 **for the operating expenses of the Commission, including, without**
41 **limitation, any debts or obligations lawfully incurred by the**
42 **Commission before July 1, 2017, and the** administrative ~~[costs]~~
43 **expenses of the** ~~[Account.]~~ **Off-Highway Vehicles Program created**
44 **by section 1 of this act, consistent with the legislatively approved**



budget of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources pursuant to section 1 of this act.

~~(b) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 4, 20 percent of any money in the Account as of January 1 of each year that is not used pursuant to paragraph (a) must be used for law enforcement, as recommended by the Office of Criminal Justice Assistance of the Department of Public Safety, or its successor, and any remaining portion of that money may be used as follows:~~

~~———— (1) Sixty percent of the money may be used for projects relating to:~~

~~———— (I) To fund a reserve amount as provided in the legislatively approved budget of the State Department of Conservation and Natural Resources pursuant to section 1 of this act.~~

(c) Any money in the Account that is not used pursuant to paragraph (a) or (b) each fiscal year may be used by the Commission to award grants as provided in NRS 490.068 for projects relating to:

(1) Studies or planning for trails and facilities for use by owners and operators of off-highway vehicles. Money received pursuant to this ~~sub-subparagraph~~ subparagraph may be used to prepare environmental assessments and environmental impact studies that are required pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §§ 4321 et seq.

~~(II) (2) The mapping and signing of those trails and facilities.~~

~~(III) (3) The acquisition of land for those trails and facilities.~~

~~(IV) (4) The enhancement ~~and~~ or maintenance , or both, of those trails and facilities.~~

~~(V) (5) The construction of those trails and facilities.~~

~~(VI) (6) The restoration of areas that have been damaged by the use of off-highway vehicles.~~

~~(2) Fifteen percent of the money may be used for safety~~

(7) Safety training and education relating to the use of off-highway vehicles.

~~(4. If money is used for the projects described in paragraph (b) of subsection 3, not more than 30 percent of such money may be allocated to any one category of projects described in subparagraph (1) of that paragraph.)~~

(8) Efforts to improve compliance with and enforcement of the requirements relating to off-highway vehicles.

Sec. 9. NRS 490.082 is hereby amended to read as follows:

490.082 1. An owner of an off-highway vehicle that is acquired:

(a) Before July 1, 2011:



1 (1) May apply for, to the Department by mail or to an
2 authorized dealer, and obtain from the Department, a certificate of
3 title for the off-highway vehicle.

4 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, shall,
5 within 1 year after July 1, 2011, apply for, to the Department by
6 mail or to an authorized dealer, and obtain from the Department, the
7 registration of the off-highway vehicle.

8 (b) On or after July 1, 2011, shall, within 30 days after acquiring
9 ownership of the off-highway vehicle:

10 (1) Apply for, to the Department by mail or to an authorized
11 dealer, and obtain from the Department, a certificate of title for the
12 off-highway vehicle.

13 (2) Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, apply for,
14 to the Department by mail or to an authorized dealer, and obtain
15 from the Department, the registration of the off-highway vehicle
16 pursuant to this section or NRS 490.0825.

17 2. If an owner of an off-highway vehicle applies to the
18 Department or to an authorized dealer for:

19 (a) A certificate of title for the off-highway vehicle, the owner
20 shall submit to the Department or to the authorized dealer proof
21 prescribed by the Department that he or she is the owner of the off-
22 highway vehicle.

23 (b) Except as otherwise provided in NRS 490.0825, the
24 registration of the off-highway vehicle, the owner shall submit:

25 (1) If ownership of the off-highway vehicle was obtained
26 before July 1, 2011, proof prescribed by the Department:

27 (I) That he or she is the owner of the off-highway vehicle;
28 and

29 (II) Of the unique vehicle identification number, serial
30 number or distinguishing number obtained pursuant to NRS
31 490.0835 for the off-highway vehicle; or

32 (2) If ownership of the off-highway vehicle was obtained on
33 or after July 1, 2011:

34 (I) Evidence satisfactory to the Department that he or she
35 has paid all taxes applicable in this State relating to the purchase of
36 the off-highway vehicle, or submit an affidavit indicating that he or
37 she purchased the vehicle through a private party sale and no tax is
38 due relating to the purchase of the off-highway vehicle; and

39 (II) Proof prescribed by the Department that he or she is
40 the owner of the off-highway vehicle and of the unique vehicle
41 identification number, serial number or distinguishing number
42 obtained pursuant to NRS 490.0835 for the off-highway vehicle.

43 3. Registration of an off-highway vehicle is not required if the
44 off-highway vehicle:

45 (a) Is owned and operated by:



- 1 (1) A federal agency;
- 2 (2) An agency of this State; or
- 3 (3) A county, incorporated city or unincorporated town in
- 4 this State;

5 (b) Is part of the inventory of a dealer of off-highway vehicles
6 and is affixed with a special plate provided to the off-highway
7 vehicle dealer pursuant to NRS 490.0827;

8 (c) Is registered or certified in another state and is located in this
9 State for not more than 15 days;

10 (d) Is used solely for husbandry on private land or on public
11 land that is leased to or used under a permit issued to the owner or
12 operator of the off-highway vehicle;

13 (e) Is used for work conducted by or at the direction of a public
14 or private utility;

15 (f) Was manufactured before January 1, 1976;

16 (g) Is operated solely in an organized race, festival or other
17 event that is conducted:

18 (1) Under the auspices of a sanctioning body; or

19 (2) By permit issued by a governmental entity having
20 jurisdiction;

21 (h) Except as otherwise provided in paragraph (d), is operated or
22 stored on private land or on public land that is leased to the owner or
23 operator of the off-highway vehicle, including when operated in an
24 organized race, festival or other event;

25 (i) Is used in a search and rescue operation conducted by a
26 governmental entity having jurisdiction; or

27 (j) Has a displacement of not more than 70 cubic centimeters.

28 ➔ As used in this subsection, "sanctioning body" means an
29 organization that establishes a schedule of racing events, grants
30 rights to conduct those events and establishes and administers rules
31 and regulations governing the persons who conduct or participate in
32 those events.

33 4. The registration of an off-highway vehicle pursuant to this
34 section or NRS 490.0825 expires 1 year after its issuance. If an
35 owner of an off-highway vehicle fails to renew the registration of
36 the off-highway vehicle before it expires, the registration may be
37 reinstated upon the payment to the Department of the annual
38 renewal fee, a late fee of ~~1\$251~~ \$10 and, if applicable, proof of
39 insurance required pursuant to NRS 490.0825. Any late fee
40 collected by the Department must be deposited with the State
41 Treasurer for credit to the Revolving Account for the Administration
42 of Off-Highway Vehicle Titling and Registration created by
43 NRS 490.085.

44 5. If a certificate of title or registration for an off-highway
45 vehicle is lost or destroyed, the owner of the off-highway vehicle



1 may apply to the Department by mail, or to an authorized dealer, for
2 a duplicate certificate of title or registration. The Department may
3 collect a fee to replace a certificate of title or registration certificate,
4 sticker or decal that is lost, damaged or destroyed. Any such fee
5 collected by the Department must be:

6 (a) Set forth by the Department by regulation; and

7 (b) Deposited with the State Treasurer for credit to the
8 Revolving Account for the Administration of Off-Highway Vehicle
9 Titling and Registration created by NRS 490.085.

10 6. The provisions of subsections 1 to 5, inclusive, do not apply
11 to an owner of an off-highway vehicle who is not a resident of this
12 State.

13 **Sec. 10.** The provisions of subsection 1 of NRS 218D.380 do
14 not apply to any provision of this act which adds or revises a
15 requirement to submit a report to the Legislature.

16 **Sec. 11.** 1. The terms of the members of the Commission on
17 Off-Highway Vehicles who are appointed pursuant to paragraphs (f)
18 and (g) and subparagraphs (2) and (4) of paragraph (h) of subsection
19 2 of NRS 490.067, as those provisions exist on June 30, 2017,
20 expire on July 1, 2017.

21 2. On or before July 1, 2017, the Governor shall appoint to the
22 Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles the members of the
23 Commission on Off-Highway Vehicles specified in paragraph (f)
24 and subparagraph (2) of paragraph (g) of subsection 2 of NRS
25 490.067, as amended by section 6 of this act, to initial terms of 3
26 years commencing on July 1, 2017.

27 **Sec. 12.** This act becomes effective:

28 1. Upon passage and approval for the purpose of adopting
29 regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative
30 tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

31 2. On July 1, 2017, for all other purposes.



