



HOUSE BILL 765: Regulatory Reform Act of 2015, Secs. 3.5 and 3.13: Transportation Provisions

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Analysis of: Secs. 3.5 and 3.13 of S.L. 2015-286

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SUMMARY: *Secs. 3.5 and 3.13 of S.L. 2015-286 make the following changes related to transportation:*

- *Provide for suitably reduced size registration plates for trailers attached to motorcycles. This provision becomes effective January 1, 2016.*
- *Conform the law related to operation of all-terrain vehicles by persons less than 16 years of age to national safety and design standards for youth operators. These provisions became effective October 22, 2015.*

BILL ANALYSIS: The following sections were passed as part of the Regulatory Reform Act of 2015 and are related to transportation:

Section 3.5 clarifies a provision in the law that directs the Division of Motor Vehicles to provide suitably reduced size registration plates for motorcycles and motorcycle trailers. This section specifies that motorcycle trailers are property hauling trailers attached to the rear of the motorcycle. It also specifies that the plates are to be approximately four by seven inches and issued on a multiyear or annual basis as provided by law.

Section 3.13 removes specific restrictions on allowable engine capacity for all-terrain vehicles operated by persons 8 to 16 years of age. Instead, this section makes it unlawful for a parent or guardian of a person within that age range to allow that person to operate an all-terrain vehicle in violation of the age restriction warning label affixed by the manufacturer as required by the applicable American National Standards Institute/Specialty Vehicle Institute of America (ANSI/SVIA) design standard. It also makes it unlawful for a seller to knowingly sell an all-terrain vehicle for use by a person in violation of those restrictions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Section 3.5 of the act becomes effective January 1, 2016. Section 3.13 became effective October 22, 2015.

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