



HOUSE BILL 498: Authorize ATV and Utility Vehicle Titling.

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OVERVIEW: *House Bill 498 would authorize the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue a certificate of title for all-terrain vehicles and utility vehicles.*

CURRENT LAW: The Division of Motor Vehicles currently does not issue certificates of title for all-terrain vehicles or utility vehicles. The statutory definitions for an all-terrain vehicle and utility vehicle are:

All-Terrain Vehicle or ATV. – A motorized vehicle 50 inches or less in width that is designed to travel on three or more low-pressure tires and manufactured for off-highway use. The terms "all-terrain vehicle" or "ATV" do not include a golf cart or a utility vehicle, as defined in this section, or a riding lawn mower.

Utility Vehicle. – A motor vehicle that is (i) designed for off-road use and (ii) used for general maintenance, security, agricultural, or horticultural purposes. "Utility vehicle" does not include an all-terrain vehicle or golf cart, as defined in this section, or a riding lawn mower.

BILL ANALYSIS: House Bill 498 would authorize the Division to issue a certificate of title for an all-terrain vehicle or a utility vehicle to an applicant that completes an application provided by the Division and pays the application fee (\$52).

This bill would also make a conforming change to the Division's authority to refuse a registration or certificate of title under current law, to allow for the titling of utility vehicles.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would become effective October 1, 2021.

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