



HOUSE BILL 155: Authorize ATV and Utility Vehicle Titling.

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Committee:	House Transportation. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	March 22, 2023
Introduced by:	Reps. Sossamon, N. Jackson, Biggs	Prepared by:	Howard Marsilio Staff Attorney
Analysis of:	PCS to First Edition H155-CSBG-4		

OVERVIEW: *The Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) for House Bill 155 would authorize the Division of Motor Vehicles to issue a certificate of title for all-terrain vehicles and utility vehicles.*

- The PCS adds the requirement that an application for title for all-terrain vehicles and utility vehicles shall include a statement of the owner's title and liens on the vehicle and exempts these vehicles from security interest perfection provisions that apply to motor vehicles subject to registration.*

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: The bill would authorize an owner to apply for, and 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 (\$56).

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, 2023.

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