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HOUSE DRH60116-MA-200 (3/6)

Short Title: Exempt Property Owners From ATV Helmet Req. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Spear.

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY OWNERS, PROPERTY LESSEES, AND MEMBERS OF THE PROPERTY OWNER'S AND PROPERTY LESSEE'S FAMILY WHO ARE SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF WEARING A SAFETY HELMET AND EYE PROTECTION WHILE OPERATING AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY THE RIDER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-171.19(a) reads as rewritten:

"§ 20-171.19. **Prohibited acts by owners and operators.**

(a) No person shall operate an all-terrain vehicle unless the person wears eye protection and a safety helmet meeting United States Department of Transportation standards for motorcycle helmets. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person that is the owner or lessee of the real property upon which the all-terrain vehicle is being operated, or to any member of the owner's or lessee's family that is 16 years of age or older if the all-terrain vehicle is being operated on the real property owned or leased by their family member."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.