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Proposed Bill No. 6860

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by:

REP. SAWYER, 55th Dist.

REP. FERRARI, 62nd Dist.

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AN ACT CONCERNING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 That the general statutes be amended to require the Commissioner
2 of Environmental Protection to designate certain trails for use by all-
3 terrain vehicles and other two or four-wheel vehicles unsuitable for
4 use on the public highways not later than July 2, 2008; to establish a
5 user fee equivalent to one per cent of the sales tax on the sale of such
6 vehicles, the proceeds of which shall be used to pay for the
7 establishment of the trails; to create a Trail Fund into which such
8 proceeds shall be deposited; to provide incentives to landowners who
9 make their land available for use by such vehicles, including, but not
10 limited to, holding landowners harmless from any liability which
11 might arise from the use of their land by such vehicles; to increase the
12 fine for a violation of sections 14-379 to 14-390, inclusive, of the general
13 statutes to one hundred twenty dollars, with thirty dollars of the
14 proceeds of the fine allocated to the Trail Fund and with thirty dollars
15 of the proceeds of the fine allocated to the Department of

- 16 Environmental Protection for increased enforcement.

Statement of Purpose:

To provide trails for all-terrain vehicle use, create a user fee for all-terrain vehicles and to increase the penalty for illegal operation of an all-terrain vehicle to one hundred twenty dollars.