

**Transportation Committee  
PUBLIC HEARING  
Monday, February 14, 2011**

To: Senator Andrew Maynard, Co-Chairman  
Representative Antonio Guerrero, Co-Chairman  
Honorable Members of the Transportation Committee  
Room 2300, Legislative Office Building  
Hartford, CT

Re: **S.B. No. 811 AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR THE  
UNAUTHORIZED USE OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.**

Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrero, and members of the Transportation Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in favor of **S.B. No. 811 AN ACT INCREASING THE PENALTY FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED USE OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.**

All unregistered vehicles found in use of a public thruway or restricted property should be subject to seizure, and the owner should be subject to all appropriate fines. This issue is one of public safety. On the Peter's Rock property the vast amount of use is by pedestrians. Many people of all ages use this property for enjoyment. They are all endangered by the illegal and knowingly hazardous use of motorized vehicles on public hiking trails. It is up to the State of Conn. representatives to pass Bill S.B. #811. Our elected officials must not allow the recreational vehicle lobby to sway their opinion. Common sense regarding the safety of hikers and the preservation of the environment call for stricter enforcement of the laws and fines regarding unsafe or illegal use of motor vehicles on restricted properties.

Thanking you in advance for your support on Bill S.B. #811.

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