

Please oppose SB463. "AN ACT CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATIONS OF A MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A DIRT BIKE OR ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE."

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Allowing Municipalities to seize property is a terrible solution to this problem.

Finding a place for people to recreate on their ORV's hasn't even been tried, even though the Legislature passed a law ordering the DEEP to do just that, 30 years ago.

CGS: Sec. 23-26c. Availability of state land for use by persons operating all-terrain vehicles. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall evaluate the properties under his jurisdiction and the jurisdiction of other state agencies for their use by persons operating all-terrain vehicles and shall make available some of such properties for such use. In making such properties available, the commissioner shall consider minimizing the impact of all-terrain vehicles on the environment. Before making any property available that is under the jurisdiction of another state agency, the commissioner shall consult with such agency.

The DEEP has, for 30 years now, through internal policy making, added unwieldy roadblocks to prevent the implementation of the law.

Please oppose SB463 and work to force the DEEP to comply with State law.

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