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To: House Transportation

Subject: Proposed Regulation 2021200079 - ATV's & Snowmobiles Use of Roadways

House Transportation Committee

Dear Committee Members,

I encourage you to weigh the advice of safety experts and reject this proposal.

ATVs and snowmobiles may be economically used in small villages where vehicle traffic is minimal and this mode of transportation has become a fact of life.

The thought of legalizing this mode of transportation in larger cities on roads that experience vehicle traffic of any level puts everyone at risk even at low speeds.

Law enforcement has enough trouble with current staff levels to enforce loud vehicles and erratic drivers on town roads. To add another road user on roads where speed limits are less than 45mph will have dangerous ramifications.

There are many areas where operators could push the "right to the road" which would not work safely for road users, be it pedestrians, vehicle or ATVs & Snow Machines.

There has been no explanation driving this regulation change. It certainly is not the safety of the operator so one must surmise it could be industry or user groups pushing this forward.

I am not in favor of moving this unsound regulation forward and encourage you to let it die in committee rather than let users die on the road.

Respectfully,

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