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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 483 (Transportation)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION  
5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to golf carts; and providing for an  
7 effective date."

8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 \* Section 1. AS 05 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 32. GOLF CARTS.

11 ARTICLE 1. REGISTRATION.

12 Sec. 05.32.010. REGISTRATION. A person who operates a golf cart  
13 on a public road shall register the golf cart with the Department of  
14 Public Safety as provided in this chapter.

15 Sec. 05.32.020. REGISTRATION AND REGISTRATION FEE. A registra-  
16 tion issued under this chapter is valid for two years. The registra-  
17 tion fee is \$35. Money received by the Department of Public Safety  
18 under this chapter shall be deposited into the general fund.

19 Sec. 05.32.030. REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE AND DECALS. Upon  
20 registration of a golf cart, the registrant shall be issued a regis-  
21 tration certificate and two numbered decals containing the registra-  
22 tion number of the vehicle. Once a registration number has been  
23 issued for a golf cart, that number remains with that cart until the  
24 cart has been destroyed, abandoned, or permanently removed from the  
25 state. Numbered registration decals shall be displayed on each side  
26 of the golf cart.

27 ARTICLE 2. REGULATION AND EQUIPMENT.

28 Sec. 05.32.100. REGULATION. (a) Except as provided in (b) of  
29 this section, a city, or a borough in the area of the borough outside

1 a city, may by ordinance regulate the use and operation of a golf  
2 cart. A golf cart may not be operated on a public road in the state,  
3 except as authorized by the state under (b) of this section or by  
4 municipal ordinance.

5 (b) The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities may  
6 regulate the use or operation of golf carts on a public road main-  
7 tained by the state.

8 Sec. 05.32.110. EQUIPMENT REQUIRED. A golf cart must contain  
9 the following equipment:

10 (1) brakes adequate to control the movement of, to stop,  
11 and to hold the vehicle under normal conditions of operation;

12 (2) at least one head lamp aimed and of sufficient intensi-  
13 ty to reveal persons and objects at a distance of at least 100 feet  
14 ahead during hours of darkness under normal atmospheric conditions;

15 (3) a throttle that, when released by the hand or foot,  
16 will return the engine speed to idle;

17 (4) at least two tail lights on the rear of the vehicle,  
18 one on each side, that are illuminated when the head lamp is in opera-  
19 tion;

20 (5) at least two brake lights on the rear of the vehicle,  
21 one on each side, that operate when the brake pedal or control is  
22 pressed;

23 (6) turn signals, two in the front and two in the back  
24 activated by a single control;

25 (7) unless the golf cart is operated by electricity, an ex-  
26 haust muffler in good working order.

27 **ARTICLE 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

28 Sec. 05.32.200. REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS. The operator of a golf  
29 cart involved in an accident that results in injury to, or death of a

1 person, or property damage in the amount of \$100 or more, other than  
2 property damage to the operator's golf cart, shall immediately and by  
3 the quickest means of communication give notice of the accident to the  
4 local law enforcement agency.

5 Sec. 05.32.210. PENALTY. A person who violates a provision of  
6 this chapter is guilty of a violation.

7 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).