

ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION - 2014
COMMITTEE STATEMENT
LB982

Hearing Date: Monday February 03, 2014
Committee On: Transportation and Telecommunications
Introducer: Dubas
One Liner: Redefine the terms all-terrain vehicle and utility-type vehicle

Roll Call Vote - Final Committee Action:
Advanced to General File with amendment(s)

Vote Results:

Aye:	7	Senators Brasch, Dubas, Hadley, Janssen, McCoy, Smith, Watermeier
Nay:		
Absent:	1	Senator Murante
Present Not Voting:		

Proponents:	Representing:
Senator Annette Dubas	Introducer
Lynda Chilstrom	Polaris Industries

Opponents:	Representing:
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Neutral:	Representing:
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Summary of purpose and/or changes:

LB982 expands existing definitions of utility-type vehicle and all-terrain vehicle, to allow new products to be titled, sold, and used in Nebraska. Manufacturers of such off-road vehicles requested the changes due to new products in development that currently cannot be sold in Nebraska because of our definitions. A new type of tire has been developed that does not contain air, it is non-pneumatic, so "low pressure tire" is changed to "non-highway tire". To make weight and width requirements more expansive to cover new product designs.

Explanation of amendments:

AM1791 further expands the definitions of utility-type vehicle and all-terrain vehicle to allow for greater product innovation by manufacturers. As requested by the Department of Motor Vehicles, the amendment clarifies that these vehicles may not be retrofitted with after-market parts to be registered and licensed as on-road vehicles, such as minitrucks.

Annette Dubas, Chairperson