TRAIL: Appropriations WLC: 0037/1

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AN ACT relating to: increasing the appropriations for certain all-terrain vehicle programs.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

**JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE:** This bill draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council's Special Committee on State Trails Policy.

**COMMENT:** The following appropriation changes in this draft are intended to increase appropriations to the department of natural resources (DNR) for various all-terrain vehicle (ATV) programs. The nature of each program is indicated in the text of the appropriation increase. The additional funding for these programs comes from another draft WLC: 0038/1, which generates new revenue from increased registration and trail fees.

The draft shows the appropriation increases as blanks to be filled in following committee discussion.

Generally, appropriation bills are not passed by the legislature except as part of the budget bill. Therefore, the recommendation of the special committee for the following appropriation increases will likely be submitted to the joint committee on finance for that committee's consideration in its preparation of the state's budget bill for the 2007–09 fiscal years.

The appropriation increases shown in this draft are intended as the special committee's recommendation for additional funding for each program, over the base appropriation noted in the comments in this draft.

## SECTION 1. Appropriation changes.

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(1) STATE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE TRAIL MAINTENANCE. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (1) (ms) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2007, the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal year 2007–08 and [\$ ] for fiscal year 2008–09 for maintenance of state all-terrain vehicle trails.

**COMMENT:** The appropriation for state ATV projects is \$225,000 in fiscal year 2005–06 and \$225,000 in fiscal year 2006–07.

(2) STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT POSITIONS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (3) (as) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2007, the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal year 2007–08 and [\$ ] for fiscal year 2008–09 to increase the authorized FTE positions for the department by [ ] SEG warden positions.

**COMMENT:** The appropriation for state ATV projects is \$1,088,000 in fiscal year 2005–06 and \$1,102,000 in fiscal year 2006–07. Also, the current position authorization for DNR wardens for ATV programs is 9.0 warden positions.

(3) COUNTY ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE TRAILS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (5) (cu) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2007, the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal year 2007–08 and [\$ ] for fiscal year 2008–09 to provide aid to counties for county all-terrain vehicle trails.

**COMMENT:** The appropriation for state ATV projects is \$1,600,000 in fiscal year 2005–06 and \$1,600,000 in fiscal year 2006–07.

(4) RECREATION AIDS — ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE SAFETY PROGRAM. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (5) (cx) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2007, the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal year 2007–08 and the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal year 2008–09 to provide aid to the all–terrain vehicle safety program.

**COMMENT:** The appropriation for the state ATV safety program is \$250,000 in fiscal year 2005–06 and \$250,000 in fiscal year 2006–07.

(5) COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of natural resources under section 20.370 (5) (er) of

- the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2007, the dollar amount is increased by [\$ ] for fiscal
- 2 year 2007–08 and [\$ ] for fiscal year 2008–09 to provide aid to counties for all–terrain vehicle
- 3 law enforcement.

**COMMENT:** The appropriation for state ATV projects is \$200,000 in fiscal year 2005–06 and \$200,000 in fiscal year 2006–07.

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