GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 746

Short Title: All-Terrain Vehicles.

Sponsors: Senator Cooper.

Referred to: Transportation.

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE USE OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES FOR PEDESTRIAN PURPOSES BY PERSONS WITH A MOBILITY IMPAIRMENT.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new Part to read:

"PART 11B. PEDESTRIAN RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF PERSONS WITH A MOBILITY IMPAIRMENT.

"§ 20-175.5. Use of all-terrain vehicles.

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17 18 While a person with a mobility impairment as defined in this Chapter operates an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) or motorized wheelchair in order to provide that person with the mobility of a pedestrian, that person is subject to all the laws, ordinances, and regulations which would otherwise apply to a pedestrian, but is not subject to Part 10 of this Article or any other law, ordinance, or regulation otherwise applicable to motor vehicles. Nothing in this Part shall be construed to prohibit any local government form enacting ordinances restricting the use of ATVs or motorized wheelchairs by a person with a mobility impairment when justified for environmental or public safety purposes."

Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification.