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Assembly, No. 4191

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2 P.L.1973, c.307.

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32 Environmental Protection Agency on-road emissions standards.

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35 (C.26:2K-21) and who is certified by the Department of Health to
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25 manifested.

26 (cf: P.L.2009, c.275, s.1)

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28 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

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33 This bill provides an exemption to agents or employees of a
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43 Exempts certain persons from all-terrain vehicle use restrictions.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4191

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 215th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 10, 2013

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman JOHN S. WISNIEWSKI

District 19 (Middlesex)

Assemblyman JOHN F. AMODEO

District 2 (Atlantic)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senators Sacco and Pennacchio

SYNOPSIS

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As introduced.



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ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND
INDEPENDENT AUTHORITIES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4191

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 10, 2013

The Assembly Transportation, Public Works and Independent Authorities Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4191.

As reported, this bill provides an exemption to agents or employees of a county, municipality, or fire district; members of an emergency service organization; and emergency medical technicians from the prohibition against operating all-terrain vehicles on public roads. Currently, this exemption only applies to agents or employees of the State.

The bill also increases the permitted engine capacity of an all-terrain vehicle from 600 cubic centimeters to 760 cubic centimeters.

SENATE, No. 2851

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
215th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED JUNE 6, 2013

Sponsored by:

Senator NICHOLAS J. SACCO

District 32 (Bergen and Hudson)

Senator JOSEPH PENNACCHIO

District 26 (Essex, Morris and Passaic)

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SENATE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2851

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 13, 2013

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