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House Bill 4853

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Committee on Political Subdivisions then Technology
and Infrastructure]

1 A BILL to amend and reenact §17F-1-3 of the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, relating
 2 to regulation of all-terrain vehicles and removing the authority of the governing body of a
 3 municipal or county commission to prohibit the operation of all-terrain vehicles on streets in
 4 municipalities or county roads.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 1. REGULATION OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES.

§17F-1-3. Local government authority to regulate.

1 Notwithstanding any provision of this article to the contrary:

2 (1) The governing body of a municipality may regulate in any manner ~~or prohibit~~ by lawfully
 3 enacted ordinance, the operation of all-terrain vehicles upon any street, road or avenue within the
 4 municipal corporate limits.

5 (2) Homeowner associations may petition the county commission of the county in which
 6 the area regulated by the homeowner association is located for an ordinance to regulate or prohibit
 7 the operation of all-terrain vehicles upon any street, road or avenue within the area regulated by
 8 the homeowner association. County commissions are hereby authorized, upon receipt of a
 9 petition authorized by the provisions of this section, to enact an ordinance regulating or prohibiting
 10 the operation of all-terrain vehicles.

11 (3) The county commission of any county which has in effect and is operating under a
 12 countywide comprehensive plan may by lawfully enacted ordinance regulate ~~or prohibit~~ the
 13 operation of all-terrain vehicles on any road in the county, except interstate highways: *Provided,*
 14 That any county which enacts any such ordinance shall notify the West Virginia State Police and
 15 all law-enforcement agencies in the county of its action in writing, together with a copy of the
 16 ordinance.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to remove the authority of the governing body of a municipal or county commission to prohibit the operation of all-terrain vehicles on streets in municipalities or county roads.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law

and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.