

BILL ANALYSIS

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DIGEST AND PURPOSE

Currently, a person is prohibited from carrying a passenger on an all-terrain vehicle on public property. C.S.S.B. 1635 amends the Transportation Code to change the definition of an all-terrain vehicle to include a vehicle manufactured with additional seating for transporting passengers, allowing an individual to carry a passenger if the manufacturing standards for the vehicle make provisions for transporting passengers.

RULEMAKING AUTHORITY

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS

SECTION 1. Amends Section 663.001(1), Transportation Code, to redefine “all-terrain vehicle” to include a motor vehicle that is equipped with a saddle for the use of a passenger, if the motor vehicle is designed by the manufacturer to transport a passenger.

SECTION 2. Amends Section 663.036, Transportation Code, as follows:

Sec. 663.036. New heading: CARRYING PASSENGERS. Prohibits a person from carrying a passenger on an all-terrain vehicle operated on public property unless the all-terrain vehicle is designed by the manufacturer to transport a passenger.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2003.