



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

**2007 Wisconsin Act 209**  
[2007 Senate Bill 514]

**Lightweight Utility Vehicles: Study  
of Use on Trails and Roadways  
Used by All-Terrain Vehicles**

Under *current law*, the Department of Natural Resources, in consultation with the Department of Transportation, is required to administer a *pilot program* to investigate the effects of using lightweight utility vehicles (LUVs) on trails and roadways that are used by all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) to evaluate whether it is feasible and appropriate to expand the allowable use of LUVs. The counties and municipalities that are eligible to participate in the pilot program may designate ATV routes and trails that may be used by operators of LUVs and upon which LUV use may be prohibited. *Prior law* specified that these ATV routes and trails had to be *located within their respective jurisdictions*.

*Act 209* specifies that an eligible county or municipality may designate any ATV route or trail *located in the respective county or municipality* as one that may be used by LUV operators or as one upon which LUV use may be prohibited, *regardless* of whether the route or trail is within the respective county or municipality's jurisdiction.

**Effective Date:** Act 209 took effect on April 22, 2008.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.