



State of Wisconsin  
2017 - 2018 LEGISLATURE

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## 2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 442

1     **AN ACT** *to renumber* 23.33 (8) (e); *to renumber and amend* 23.33 (8) (b); and  
2           *to create* 23.33 (1) (ja), 23.33 (8) (b) 2., 23.33 (8) (e) 2., 23.33 (8) (e) 3., 23.33 (8)  
3           (e) 4., 23.33 (8) (e) 5. and 23.33 (8) (e) 6. of the statutes; **relating to:** all-terrain  
4           vehicle route signage.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

5           **SECTION 1m.** 23.33 (1) (ja) of the statutes is created to read:  
6           23.33 (1) (ja) “Preferred route” means an all-terrain vehicle route marked with  
7           signs to assist all-terrain vehicle operators in navigating to needed services such as  
8           fueling stations, restaurants, lodging, or other business establishments.  
9           **SECTION 1p.** 23.33 (8) (b) of the statutes is renumbered 23.33 (8) (b) 1. and  
10          amended to read:

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1           23.33 (8) (b) 1. ~~A~~ Subject to subd. 3., a town, village, city, or county may  
2 designate highways as all-terrain vehicle routes.

3           3. No state trunk highway or connecting highway may be designated as an  
4 all-terrain vehicle route unless the department of transportation approves the  
5 designation.

6           **SECTION 2.** 23.33 (8) (b) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

7           23.33 (8) (b) 2. Subject to subd. 3., a town, village, city, or county may designate  
8 all highways under its jurisdiction as all-terrain vehicle routes.

9           **SECTION 3.** 23.33 (8) (e) of the statutes is renumbered 23.33 (8) (e) 1.

10          **SECTION 4.** 23.33 (8) (e) 2. of the statutes is created to read:

11          23.33 (8) (e) 2. Except as provided in subd. 3, if a town, village, city, or county  
12 designates specific highways under its jurisdiction as all-terrain vehicle routes  
13 under par. (b) 2., the town, village, city, or county shall do one of the following:

14           a. Erect a sign at each point on a highway where the all-terrain vehicle route  
15 begins and at each point where the all-terrain vehicle route intersects an all-terrain  
16 vehicle trail or a highway that is not designated as an all-terrain vehicle route. The  
17 town, village, city, or county is not required to erect a sign under this subdivision at  
18 a point that is not more than one-half mile from a sign marking the same all-terrain  
19 vehicle route on the same highway.

20           b. Erect a sign on each highway under its jurisdiction that crosses its territorial  
21 boundary in a position to be viewed by motorists as they enter the town, village, city,  
22 or county. The signs shall alert motorists that all highways within the town, village,  
23 city, or county have been designated as all-terrain vehicle routes, except where  
24 otherwise indicated. The town, village, city, or county shall erect signs as

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1 appropriate to indicate highways that are not designated as an all-terrain vehicle  
2 route.

3 **SECTION 5.** 23.33 (8) (e) 3. of the statutes is created to read:

4 23.33 (8) (e) 3. If a town, village, city, or county designates all highways under  
5 its jurisdiction as all-terrain vehicle routes under par. (b) 2., the town, village, city,  
6 or county may erect a sign on each highway that crosses its territorial boundary in  
7 a position to be viewed by motorists as they enter the town, village, city, or county.  
8 The signs shall alert motorists that all highways under the jurisdiction of the town,  
9 village, city, or county have been designated as all-terrain vehicle routes.

10 **SECTION 6m.** 23.33 (8) (e) 4. of the statutes is created to read:

11 23.33 (8) (e) 4. If a town, village, city, or county designates all highways under  
12 its jurisdiction as all-terrain vehicle routes under par. (b) 2., the town, village, city,  
13 or county may erect a sign on each highway under its jurisdiction at the point where  
14 that highway crosses its territorial boundary and enters another town, village, city,  
15 or county that does not designate the highway as an all-terrain vehicle route. The  
16 signs shall be in a position to be viewed by motorists and all-terrain vehicle operators  
17 as they leave the town, village, city, or county and shall alert motorists and  
18 all-terrain vehicle operators that the all-terrain vehicle route designation has  
19 ended.

20 **SECTION 7m.** 23.33 (8) (e) 5. of the statutes is created to read:

21 23.33 (8) (e) 5. If a town, village, city or county designates highways under its  
22 jurisdiction as all-terrain vehicle routes under par. (b) 2., the town, village, city, or  
23 county may designate a preferred route and erect signs marking the route.

24 **SECTION 8m.** 23.33 (8) (e) 6. of the statutes is created to read:

