2017 ASSEMBLY BILL 875

January 25, 2018 - Introduced by Representatives HORLACHER, JACQUE, ANDERSON, BERCEAU, KREMER, ROHRKASTE, SPREITZER, SUBECK, C. TAYLOR, THIESFELDT and TITTL. Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

**AN ACT** to create 23.33 (4e) of the statutes; relating to: open alcohol containers in or on all-terrain or utility terrain vehicles and providing a penalty.

**Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau**

This bill prohibits the possession of open containers of alcohol and the consumption of alcohol by any person in or on an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) or utility terrain vehicle (UTV) when the vehicle is upon a highway, all-terrain vehicle trail, or other established all-terrain vehicle corridor that is open to the public.

Under current law, a person may not operate an ATV or UTV while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance to a degree that he or she cannot operate the vehicle. Current law also prohibits the operation of an ATV or UTV by a person who has an alcohol concentration of 0.08 or more.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

**SECTION 1.** 23.33 (4e) of the statutes is created to read:

23.33 (4e) INTOXICANTS IN OR ON AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OR UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE. (a) No person may drink alcohol beverages while he or she is in or on any
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all-terrain vehicle or utility terrain vehicle when the vehicle is upon a highway,
all-terrain vehicle trail, or other established all-terrain vehicle corridor that is open
to the public.

(b) No person may possess on his or her person while he or she is in or on any
all-terrain vehicle or utility terrain vehicle upon a highway, all-terrain vehicle trail,
or other established all-terrain vehicle corridor that is open to the public any bottle
or receptacle containing alcohol beverages if the bottle or receptacle has been opened,
the seal has been broken, or the contents of the bottle or receptacle have been
partially removed or released.

(c) The owner of an all-terrain vehicle or utility terrain vehicle, or the driver
of the vehicle if the owner is not present in or on the vehicle, shall not keep, or allow
to be kept in or on the vehicle when it is upon a highway, all-terrain vehicle trail, or
other established all-terrain vehicle corridor that is open to the public any bottle or
receptacle containing alcohol beverages if the bottle or receptacle has been opened,
the seal has been broken, or the contents of the bottle or receptacle have been
partially removed or released. This paragraph does not apply if the bottle or
receptacle is kept in the area of the vehicle not normally occupied by the driver or
passengers.

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