March 31, 2021 - Introduced by Senators Felzkowski, Ringhand, Cowles, Marklein and L. Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives Mursau, Tranel, Spreitzer, Kurtz, Tittl, Cabral-Guevara, Brooks, Magnafici, Sinicki, Oldenburg, VanderMeer, Callahan, Bowen, Sortwell, Murphy, Pronschinske, Edming, Subeck, Swearingen and Shelton. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Energy.

1 AN ACT to amend 23.33 (1) (ng) 1. a. and 23.33 (1) (ng) 2. a. of the statutes; relating to: the weight limit for utility terrain vehicles.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill raises from 2,000 pounds to 3,000 pounds the maximum weight allowable for a motor driven device to be classified as a utility terrain vehicle (UTV). Under current law, a UTV is defined as a commercially designed and manufactured motor driven device, other than a golf cart, low-speed vehicle, dune buggy, mini-truck, or tracked vehicle, that is designed to be used primarily off of a highway and that was manufactured to meet certain size and equipment specifications. Current law specifications limit UTVs to a weight, without fluids, of not more than 2,000 pounds.

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

3 SECTION 1. 23.33 (1) (ng) 1. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

4 23.33 (1) (ng) 1. a. A weight, without fluids, of 2,000 3,000 pounds or less.

5 SECTION 2. 23.33 (1) (ng) 2. a. of the statutes is amended to read:

6 23.33 (1) (ng) 2. a. It does not meet federal motor vehicle safety standards in effect on July 1, 2012; is not a golf cart, low-speed vehicle, dune buggy, mini-truck,
or tracked vehicle; is designed to be used primarily off of a highway; and has, and was originally manufactured with, a weight, without fluids, of not more than 2000 3,000 pounds.