

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2001 Assembly Bill 668	Assembly Amendment 1
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Assembly Bill 668 relates to safety training for all-terrain vehicle (ATV) and motorboat operation. In general, the bill amends the law relating to ATVs and motorboats in order to make the law consistent with the law applicable to snowmobiles. Thus, the bill provides that no person at least 12 years of age and born on or after January 1, 1986, may operate an ATV or motorboat without a valid safety certificate. As in current law, the bill exempts from this requirement an operator of an ATV who holds a valid certificate from another state or Canadian province or who operates the ATV on land exclusively under the control of the person's immediate family. The bill, as originally drafted, was to take effect on January 1, 2002.

## **PROVISIONS OF AMENDMENT**

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Bill 668 extends the effective date of the bill from *January 1, 2002 to January 1, 2003*. The amendment also modifies the birth dates for persons affected by the new requirements. Specifically, for both an ATV and motorboat certificate, the bill will apply to a person at least 12 years of age who was born on or *after January 1, 1987*, rather than *after January 1, 1986*.

The amendment makes no other changes in the legislation.

## **COMMITTEE VOTE**

The Assembly Committee on Tourism and Recreation adopted Assembly Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0 at an executive session held on January 1, 2002. The committee recommended passage of the bill as amended on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 0 at the same executive session.

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