

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2007 Senate Bill 443	Senate Amendment 1
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Under *current law*, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) may be operated on the roadways only in limited circumstances. These include roadways that have been designated as ATV routes or trails and roadways that are not seasonally maintained for motor vehicle traffic. Also, the operation of ATVs on roadways is permissible in order to cross from one side of a roadway to another or to cross a bridge or culvert.

Under *Senate Bill 443*, an ATV may be operated on a roadway if it has a snowplow attached, if it has a revolving yellow light that is illuminated, and if its operation on the roadway is necessary to travel to or from a site where the snow plow will be used.

## *Senate Amendment 1* amends the bill to:

- 1. Specify that the illuminated yellow light must be a revolving *or flashing* light (i.e., adds "or flashing").
- 2. Specify that the operation of the ATV on the roadway is necessary to travel to and from a site where the snow plow *is needed for snow removal purposes*.
- 3. Specify that operation of such an ATV is authorized *for segments of up to five miles* on the roadway.

## Legislative History

In executive session on February 20, 2008, the Senate Committee on Transportation and Tourism voted to introduce and adopt Senate Amendment 1, and to recommend passage of the bill as amended, on votes of Ayes, 7; Noes, 0.

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