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STUDY ASSIGNMENT: The committee directed: (1) to review the current policies for the acquisition, development, and management of public use trails in Wisconsin by all state agencies and local governmental units, and including connecting trails that are privately owned; (2) to review issues related to public use trails within the state, including planning for trail acquisition and use, involvement of trail user groups, design and construction of trails, location and connection of trails, designation of certain trails for specific uses, methods for addressing user conflicts, benefits of trails for economic development, and funding for trails; (3) to place particular emphasis on issues related to trail uses by motorized vehicles; and (4) to recommend, as appropriate, a comprehensive policy for trails in this state or methods for the development of a state trails policy, and methods for state agencies and local governmental units to implement state trail policies.

12 MEMBERS: 2 Senators, 2 Representatives, and 8 Public Members.

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