



## HOUSE REPUBLICAN STAFF ANALYSIS

Bill:	House File 2130 (HF 800)	House Committee:	<b>PASSED</b> January 25 (14-8)
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Floor Manager:	Rep. Kaufmann	Senate Floor:	
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Staff:	Jason Covey (1-3626)		

### Authorizing the Use of ATVs on County Highways

- This bill would allow ATVs and UTVs to use county highways. Currently counties have to designate county highways for use of ATVs and UTVs.
- Would prohibit counties from passing ordinances or resolutions against the use of ATVs on county highways.

### Section by Section Analysis

#### Section 1 – All-terrain vehicles — highway use (Iowa Code 321.234A(1)(f))

Amends code to change “county roadway” to “county highway” for ATVs to operate on.

#### Section 2 – (Iowa Code 321.10(1A))

Amends code to allow ATVs to be used on state highways over the most direct and accessible route between an ATV park, trail, county highway, or city street.

#### Section 3 – Operation on roadways, highways, and trails (Iowa Code 321.10(2))

Strikes language requiring the county board of supervisors to designate county highways that ATVs and UTVs are allowed to be used on.

#### Section 4 – General powers and limitations (Iowa Code 331.301(18))

New Subsection – preempts the county’s ability to prohibit ATVs and UTVs on county highways within its jurisdiction.

#### Section 5 – Roads and traffic (Iowa Code 331.362(9))

Cleans up language in the code.

### Amendment Analysis

#### H-8167 by Bohannon

Requires ATV/UTV riders to be 18 years or older and have liability coverage.

#### H-8180 by Kaufmann and Bohannon

Requires ATV/UTV riders to be 18 years or older and have liability coverage.

Requires ATV/UTVs to have headlights, taillights, turn signals, and mirrors.

Prohibits the DNR from using funds from the ATV Grant Program for law enforcement or signage outside of designated OHV parks.

Grandfathers existing authorizing ordinances and allows counties to prohibit operation on certain county roads if they have a written agreement with a local ATC/UTV club. The agreements are valid for 5 years.

Cities are allowed to regulate the operation of registered ATV/UTVs on city-controlled streets and are prohibited from charging a fee to operate ATV/UTVs within the city.

**H-8168 by Bohannon**

Requires registered ATV/UTV users to place a registration plate on the vehicle displaying their registration number.

**H-8170 by Bohannon**

Cities are allowed to regulate the operation of registered ATV/UTVs on city-controlled streets.

**H-8171 by Bohannon**

Prohibits cities from charging a fee to operate ATV/UTVs inside the city.

**H-8169 by Bohannon**

Counties may prohibit the use on a county road if they have an agreement with the local ATV/UTV club. Authorizing ordinances in place on February 28, 2022 are grandfathered.