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Subject: HB 2566 Request to submit text testimony in opposition of Bill without Amendment to expand Public road access for ATVs
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I respectfully submit the following text testimony regarding HB 2566.

Since Oregon laws prevent access to utilize public roads use by All Terrain Vehicles (ATV) it seems entirely unfair to add the additional cost associated with vehicle registration for these vehicles. ATV riders already pay gas taxes, which are used for road maintenance, and Annual use permits, as many of us already have titled our vehicles through DMV. The cost for vehicle registration seems to be an unreasonable burden and cost to the public with no obvious benefit to ATV owners.

However, I submit, the bill could be Amended to **allow use of ATVs on public roads**, specifically Side-by-Side type 4 wheeled vehicles (such as my Polaris RZR) if equipped with lights and signals would render this bill appropriate.

Otherwise there is no benefit to the public in imposing a significant registration fee on these vehicles, and it is essentially a tax imposed on ATV owners and with existing laws prohibiting use on public roads. Again, I pay gas taxes for the fuel to operate my vehicle already, and these funds are used to maintain public roads that I can't access. I see no purpose for imposing additional registration fees which would create further burden without benefit. Thank you seriously considering this request.

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