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I fully support this bill. Sorry i couldn't get online to speak to the panel, my audio was not working. I speak for most of the 2500 members in our group that opening up roads to the class 4 atv's would be beneficial to both community's and the and the owners of SXS's. I'm a ride leader and Administrator for Facebook Willamette Side by Side Group and ride leader for many other groups or clubs all over Oregon. I've been working with the forest service dept. in the Oakridge area to get a few roads open to class 4 UTV's from Oakridge to Hills Creek and also to Huckelberry flats Ohv. This bill will help get that done. Our group also arranges work party's with Central Oregon SXS club to clear roads that lead from one small community to others. Our Biggest obstacle is to get to the trail heads without traveling on county roads to stage. My objective is to take these riders from a safe staging area to places that are only accessible to 4x4 vehicles and to get views that few get to see. Many of these riders want to go long distances and overnight rides were we travel up to 150 miles. Pretty much from fuel station to fuel station. I plot routes on special map to make this happen and there are areas that have to be cut because of a county road maybe 1 mile long that we cant traverse on. This takes us miles out of the way to get around. I understand the safety issues here and of course there will need to be adjustments made to keep it safe. Registration. licenses, Vehicle additions, The sxs owners of these rigs are more than willing to make adjustments and they very good at policing there own. They are a special type of people. They are wanting to see that Oregon is the first state to implement this type bill. It's only inevitable that it will happen with this sport growing at this rate. Lets be the first. The possibility's are endless and lucrative. Thank you for all you do.