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Short Title: ATV Hel Req. Exempt/Prop.Ownrs, Less. & Guest. (Public)

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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO EXEMPT PROPERTY OWNERS, PROPERTY LESSEES, AND MEMBERS OF THE PROPERTY OWNER'S AND PROPERTY LESSEE'S FAMILY AND PERMISSIVE GUESTS OF THE OWNER OR LESSEE WHO ARE SIXTEEN YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER FROM THE REQUIREMENT OF WEARING A SAFETY HELMET AND EYE PROTECTION WHILE OPERATING AN ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE ON PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY THE RIDER.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. G.S. 20-171.22 reads as rewritten:

"**§ 20-171.22. Exceptions.**

(a) The provisions of this Part do not apply to any owner, operator, lessor, or renter of a farm or ranch, or that person's employees or immediate family or household members, when operating an all-terrain vehicle while engaged in farming operations.

(b) The provisions of this Part do not apply to any person using an all-terrain vehicle for hunting or trapping purposes if the person is otherwise lawfully engaged in those activities.

<u>(c) The provisions of G.S. 20-171.19(a) do not apply to a person that is at least 16 years old and is the owner or lessee of the real property on which the all-terrain vehicle is being operated, a member of the owner's or lessee's family, or a permissive guest of the owner or lessee.</u>"

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.