

**UPDATED SUMMARY
HOUSE BILL 16-1030**

Second Regular Session - Seventieth Colorado General Assembly

This summary applies to the reengrossed version of this bill as introduced in the second house. It does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. This summary reflects only the main points of the legislation.

Off-highway Vehicle Interim Committee. The bill clarifies that local authorities may require drivers of off-highway vehicles to have driver's licenses and insurance. *The bill authorizes people to cross a state highway within a municipality but requires the municipality to get approval from the Colorado department of transportation.*

~~The local authority must act by resolution or ordinance, publish a map of all roads available for use by off-highway vehicles, and place appropriate signs giving notice of the regulation. A local authority may also enter into cooperative agreements with federal land management agencies:~~

~~The bill adds to the current off-highway vehicle registration program a new part that authorizes a person to register an off-highway vehicle with the local county clerk, who will register the vehicle with the department of revenue. The registration fee is \$4. If an off-highway vehicle is registered and plated in another state, it is deemed registered in Colorado. The registration expires when the vehicle changes ownership.~~

~~Upon registering an off-highway vehicle, the person will be issued a visible identification plate, which must be affixed to the rear of the vehicle. The registration program and its associated statutes generally apply on roads, but not on trails, unless a local authority designates a trail as being a road for the purposes of the part.~~

~~The new part adds the following requirements for driving an off-highway vehicle on a road:~~

- ~~! — A driver must be licensed unless a local authority waives this requirement, but the driver must be at least 10 years of age and accompanied by a licensed driver.~~
- ~~! — A driver must obey the rules of the road.~~
- ~~! — Driving on a limited access highway or a road with a speed limit of more than 45 miles per hour is forbidden, but a driver may cross a road as already authorized by statute.~~
- ~~! — The driver must wear eye protection unless the vehicle has a windshield.~~
- ~~! — Drivers and passengers under 18 years of age must wear helmets.~~
- ~~! — The vehicle must have brakes and, if driven at night, have a head lamp and tail lights.~~
- ~~! — The vehicle speed limit must not exceed 40 miles per hour.~~

~~Violations are class B traffic infractions.~~

~~The bill amends the motor vehicle statutes to define an off-highway vehicle as a vehicle, such as a low power scooter or bicycle. The careless driving and reckless driving statutes are amended to include off-highway vehicles.~~

Italicized words indicate new material added to the original summary; dashes through words indicate deletions from the original summary.
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