1	INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2019-015
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6	By: Representative Brown
7	By: Senator Irvin
8	Filed with: Arkansas Legislative Council
9	pursuant to A.C.A. §10-3-217.
10	For An Act To Be Entitled
11	AN ACT TO ALLOW FOR SALES AND USE TAX ON ALL-TERRAIN
12	VEHICLES TO BE PAID AT THE TIME OF THE REGISTRATION
13	OF THE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE; TO AMEND THE LAW
14	CONCERNING THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL-
15	TERRAIN VEHICLES; TO INCLUDE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES IN
16	THE DEFINITION OF "MOTOR VEHICLE" FOR SALES AND USE
17	TAX PURPOSES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.
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20	Subtitle
21	TO ALLOW FOR SALES AND USE TAX ON ALL-
22	TERRAIN VEHICLES TO BE PAID AT THE TIME
23	OF THE REGISTRATION OF THE ALL-TERRAIN
24	VEHICLE; AND TO AMEND THE LAW CONCERNING
25	THE REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL-
26	TERRAIN VEHICLES.
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29	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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31	SECTION 1. DO NOT CODIFY. Legislative findings.
32	The General Assembly finds that:
33	(1) Approximately twenty percent (20%) of all-terrain vehicles
34	purchased by Arkansans are purchased outside the state to avoid having to pay
35	sales tax on all-terrain vehicles at the time of purchase;

1	(2) Many of the all-terrain vehicles purchased out-of-state are
2	never registered in Arkansas and the current penalty for late registration
3	does not provide an incentive for the registration of the all-terrain
4	<pre>vehicle;</pre>
5	(3) Many purchasers of all-terrain vehicles improperly claim the
6	sales tax exemption for new and used farm machinery and equipment authorized
7	under § 26-52-403;
8	(4) All all-terrain vehicles, regardless of their intended use,
9	are required to be registered under § 27-20-202;
10	(5) The theft of all-terrain vehicles is high in Arkansas and
11	requiring the annual registration of all-terrain vehicles and proper
12	placement of the required numbered license decal will assist in preventing
13	all-terrain vehicle theft and determining ownership if recovered;
14	(6) The purchaser of an all-terrain vehicle should pay local and
15	county sales and use tax on the first two thousand five hundred dollars
16	(\$2,500) of the full purchase price of the all-terrain vehicle as is done for
17	the purchase of a motor vehicle, aircraft, watercraft, modular home,
18	manufactured home, mobile home, travel trailer, and utility trailer; and
19	(7) The all-terrain vehicle registration fee and the penalty for
20	failure to register an all-terrain vehicle under § 27-20-202 have remained
21	the same since established by Act 1983, No. 872 and need to be amended.
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23	SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 26-52-103(20), concerning the definition of
24	"motor vehicle" used under the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, is
25	amended to read as follows:
26	(20) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle that is self-propelled and
27	is required to be registered for use on the highway with the department;
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29	SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 26-52-513 is amended to read as follows:
30	26-52-513. Sales of motor-driven and all-terrain vehicles <u>— All-terrain</u>
31	vehicle report.
32	(a) When any person engaged in the business of selling motor vehicles,
33	motorcycles, motor-driven cycles, $\frac{1}{2}$ three wheeled all-terrain vehicles $\frac{1}{2}$
34	defined in § 27-20-201, four wheeled all terrain vehicles, six wheeled all-
35	terrain vehicles, or motorized bicycles, sells any motorcycle or motor-driven
36	cycle that is designed or manufactured exclusively for competition or off-

1 road use, or sells any three-wheeled all-terrain vehicle, four wheeled all-2 terrain vehicle, six wheeled all terrain vehicle, or motorized bicycle, the 3 person shall collect and remit the taxes at the same time and in the same 4 manner as other gross receipts taxes collected by the person. 5 (b) However, nothing in this section shall be construed so as to this 6 section does not affect the manner in which state and local taxes are 7 collected on motorcycles and motor-driven cycles registered for use on the 8 streets and highways of this state. 9 (c)(1) A person engaged in the business of selling all-terrain vehicles, as defined in § 27-20-201, shall submit a monthly report to the 10 Department of Finance and Administration concerning each all-terrain vehicle 11 12 sold by the person during the previous month. 13 (2) The report required under subdivision (c)(1) of this section 14 <u>shall:</u> 15 (A) Include without limitation the following information 16 for each all-terrain vehicle sold: 17 (i) The name of the purchaser of the all-terrain 18 vehicle; 19 (ii) The brand, model, year, and vehicle 20 identification number of the all-terrain vehicle; and 21 (iii) The sales price of the all-terrain vehicle; 22 <u>and</u> 23 (B) Be submitted electronically by the twentieth day of 24 each month. 25 SECTION 4. Arkansas Code § 26-53-102(13), concerning the definition of 26 27 "motor vehicle" used under the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, is amended to read as follows: 28 29 (13) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle that is self-propelled and 30 is required to be registered for use for use on the highway with the 31 department; 32 SECTION 5. Arkansas Code § 26-74-220(a), concerning the maximum tax 33 34 limitation for county sales and use taxes for capital improvements, is

amended to read as follows:

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           (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
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     subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
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                       (A) Motor vehicle, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and 26-53-
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     102;
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                       (B) Aircraft;
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                       (D) Modular home;
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                       (E) Manufactured home; or
                       (F) Mobile home.
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                 (2) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and remitting
     the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross
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     receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of a:
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                       (B)(A) Aircraft;
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                       (C)(B) Watercraft;
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                       (D)(C) Modular home;
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                       (E)(D) Manufactured home; or
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                       (F)(E) Mobile home.
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           SECTION 6. Arkansas Code § 26-74-320(a), concerning the maximum tax
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     limitation for county sales taxes for capital improvements, is amended to
     read as follows:
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           (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
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     subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
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     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
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                       (A)
                            Motor vehicle, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and 26-53-
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     <u>102</u>;
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                       (B) Aircraft;
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                 (2) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and remitting
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     the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross
     receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of a:
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                       (A) Motor vehicle;
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                       (B)(A) Aircraft;
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                       (D)(C) Modular home;
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           SECTION 7. Arkansas Code § 26-74-412(a)(1), concerning the maximum tax
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     limitation for county sales and use taxes for counties without an existing
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     tax, is amended to read as follows:
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           (a)(1)(A) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
     subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
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     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
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                             (i) Motor vehicle, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and
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     26-53-102;
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                             (ii) Aircraft;
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                             (iii) Watercraft;
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                             (iv) Modular home;
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                             (v) Manufactured home; or
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                             (vi) Mobile home.
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                       (B) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and
     remitting the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars
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     ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of a:
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                             (ii)(i) Aircraft;
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                             (iii)(ii) Watercraft;
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                             (v)(iv) Manufactured home; or
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                             (vi)(v) Mobile home.
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           SECTION 8. Arkansas Code § 26-74-412(b)(1), concerning the maximum tax
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     limitation for county sales and use taxes for counties without an existing
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     tax, is amended to read as follows:
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           (b)(1) In the case of any taxpayer not subject to the levy of a use
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     tax on tangible personal property or taxable services brought into the State
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     of Arkansas for storage until such property is subsequently initially used in
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     the State of Arkansas, a county use tax shall be computed on each purchase of
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     such property and services by the taxpayer as if all the property was were
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     subject upon purchase to the county use tax up to the first two thousand five
     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
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                       (A) Motor vehicle, as defined in \S 26-52-103 and 26-53-
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     102;
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                       (B) Aircraft;
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                            Watercraft;
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                       (D)
                            Modular home;
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                           Manufactured home; or
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                       (F) Mobile home.
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           SECTION 9. Arkansas Code § 26-74-612(a), concerning the maximum tax
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     limitation for county sales and use taxes for capital improvements of a
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     community college, is amended to read as follows:
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           (a)(1) Any county general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
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     subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
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     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
                       (A) Motor vehicle, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and 26-53-
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     102;
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                       (B) Aircraft;
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                       (C)
                            Watercraft;
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                       (D) Modular home;
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                            Manufactured home; or
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                       (F) Mobile home.
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                 (2) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and remitting
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     the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross
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     receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of a:
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1	(A) Motor vehicle;
2	(B)(A) Aircraft;
3	(C)(B) Watercraft;
4	(D)(C) Modular home;
5	(E)(D) Manufactured home; or
6	$\frac{(F)(E)}{(E)}$ Mobile home.
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8	SECTION 10. Arkansas Code § 26-75-222(a), concerning the maximum tax
9	limitation for municipal sales and use taxes for capital improvements, is
10	amended to read as follows:
11	(a)(1) Any municipal general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
12	subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five
13	hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price
14	from the sale of a:
15	(A) Motor vehicle, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and 26-53-
16	<u>102</u> ;
17	(B) Aircraft;
18	(C) Watercraft;
19	(D) Modular home;
20	(E) Manufactured home; or
21	(F) Mobile home.
22	(2) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and remitting
23	the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross
24	receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price from the sale of a:
25	(A) Motor vehicle;
26	(B)(A) Aircraft;
27	(C)(B) Watercraft;
28	(D)(C) Modular home;
29	(E)(D) Manufactured home; or
30	$\frac{(F)(E)}{(E)}$ Mobile home.
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32	SECTION 11. Arkansas Code § 26-75-319(a), concerning the maximum tax
33	limitation for municipal sales tax for capital improvements, is amended to
34	read as follows:
35	(a)(1) Any municipal general sales or use tax levied pursuant to this
36	subchapter shall be levied and collected only on the first two thousand five

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     hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on
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     the sale of a:
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     102;
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                       (B) Aircraft;
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                       (C) Watercraft;
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                       (D) Modular home;
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                       (E) Manufactured home; or
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                       (F) Mobile home.
                 (2) A vendor shall be responsible for collecting and remitting
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     the tax only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) of gross
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     receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of a:
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                       (A) Motor vehicle;
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                       (B)(A) Aircraft;
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                       (C)(B) Watercraft;
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                       (D)(C) Modular home;
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                       (E)(D) Manufactured home; or
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                       (F)(E) Mobile home.
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           SECTION 12. Arkansas Code § 26-82-115(a), concerning the maximum tax
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     limitation under the Local Sales and Use Tax Economic Development Project
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     Funding Act, is amended to read as follows:
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           (a) A sales and use tax levied under this chapter shall be levied and
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     collected only on the first two thousand five hundred dollars ($2,500) of
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     gross receipts, gross proceeds, or sales price on the sale of:
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                 (1) Motor vehicles, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and 26-53-102;
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                 (2) Aircraft;
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                 (3) Watercraft;
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                 (4) Modular homes;
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                 (5) Manufactured homes; or
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                 (6) Mobile homes.
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           SECTION 13. Arkansas Code § 26-82-115(b)(1)(B), concerning the maximum
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     tax limitation under the Local Sales and Use Tax Economic Development Project
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     Funding Act, is amended to read as follows:
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1	(B) However, the use tax portion of the local sales and
2	use tax authorized under this chapter shall be computed only on the first two
3	thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) of gross receipts, gross proceeds, or
4	sales price on the sale of:
5	(i) Motor vehicles, as defined in §§ 26-52-103 and
6	<u>26-53-102</u> ;
7	(ii) Aircraft;
8	(iii) Watercraft;
9	(iv) Modular homes;
10	(v) Manufactured homes; or
11	(vi) Mobile homes.
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13	SECTION 14. Arkansas Code Title 27, Chapter 20, Subchapter 2, is
14	amended to read as follows:
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16	Subchapter 2
17	- Three-Wheeled, Four-Wheeled, and Six-Wheeled All-Terrain Vehicles
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19	27-20-201. Penalty Definition.
20	Any owner of a three-wheeled, four-wheeled, or six-wheeled all-terrain
21	vehicle failing to register it within thirty (30) calendar days after the
22	transfer date or the date of release of a lien by a prior lienholder,
23	whichever is greater, shall be assessed an additional penalty of three
24	dollars (\$3.00) for each ten-calendar day period or fraction thereof for
25	which he or she fails to properly register the vehicle until the penalty
26	reaches the same amount as the registration fee of the cycle to be
27	registered.
28	(a)(1) As used in this subchapter, "all-terrain vehicle" means a
29	vehicle that:
30	(A) Has three (3), four (4), or six (6) wheels;
31	(B) Is seventy-five inches (75") or less in width;
32	(C) Is equipped with nonhighway tires; and
33	(D) Is designed primarily for off-road use.
34	(2) "All-terrain vehicle" includes a:
35	(A) Multipurpose off-highway utility vehicle;
36	(B) Recreational off-highway vehicle; and

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                       (C) Utility task vehicle.
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                 (3) "All-terrain vehicle" does not include a golf cart, riding
     lawnmower, or lawn or garden tractor.
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           (b) An all-terrain vehicle meets the definition of a motor vehicle for
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     the purpose of the sales tax imposed by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of
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     1941, § 26-52-101 et seq., or the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, §
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     26-53-101 et seq.
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           27-20-202. Registration Annual registration required - Penalties.
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           (a) All owners of three-wheeled, four-wheeled, or six-wheeled all-
     terrain vehicles An owner of an all-terrain vehicle that are not otherwise
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     required to be registered by law shall register them the all-terrain vehicle
     with the Director of the Department of Finance and Administration within
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     thirty (30) calendar days of acquiring them the all-terrain vehicle.
           (b)(1) The owners owner shall offer proof of ownership satisfactory to
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     the Department of Finance and Administration.
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                 (2)(A)(i) If the person seeking to register the all-terrain
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     vehicle cannot offer satisfactory proof of ownership, the department may
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     register it the all-terrain vehicle if the person seeking registration posts
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     a bond equal to at least one and one-half (1½) times the market value of the
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     all-terrain vehicle.
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                             (ii) (B) The bond shall be a cash bond, a letter of
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     credit, a surety bond issued by a fidelity or surety company authorized to do
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     business in Arkansas, or a personal bond signed by at least two (2) property
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     owners in this state.
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                             (iii)(C) The bond shall be for a period of three (3)
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     years and made payable to the department to be used by the department to pay
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     any valid claim arising from the disputed ownership of the all-terrain
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     vehicle.
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                       (B)(i) If the three-wheeled or four-wheeled all-terrain
     vehicle was manufactured on or before December 31, 1992, then proof of
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     ownership shall not be required to obtain registration, and a statement of
     ownership shall be accepted as proof of ownership.
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                             (ii) The statement of ownership may be prepared by
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     the person and shall contain the following information:
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                                   (a) The person's name;
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                                   (b) A description of the vehicle;
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                                   (c) A statement that the vehicle was
     manufactured on or before December 31, 1992;
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                                   (d) A statement of ownership; and
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                                   (e) The person's signature.
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                             (iii) The provisions of subdivision (b)(2)(B) of
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     this section shall not apply to six-wheeled all-terrain vehicles.
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           (c) The annual cost of registration shall be five dollars ($5.00) ten
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     dollars ($10.00).
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           (d) An owner of an all-terrain vehicle who fails to register the all-
     terrain vehicle within thirty (30) calendar days after the transfer date or
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     the date of release of a lien by a prior lienholder, whichever is later,
     shall be assessed an additional penalty of five dollars ($5.00) for each ten-
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     calendar-day period or fraction thereof for which he or she fails to properly
     register the all-terrain vehicle until the penalty reaches seventy-five
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     dollars ($75.00).
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           27-20-203. No equipment or inspection requirements.
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           There shall be no equipment requirement or safety inspection
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     requirement as a precondition to registration of three-wheeled, four-wheeled,
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     or six-wheeled all-terrain vehicles an all-terrain vehicle.
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           27-20-204. Taxes to be paid.
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           The tax imposed by the Arkansas Gross Receipts Act of 1941, § 26-52-101
25
     et seq., or the Arkansas Compensating Tax Act of 1949, § 26-53-101 et seq.,
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     on the sale of three wheeled, four wheeled, or six wheeled all terrain
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     vehicles an all-terrain vehicle shall be collected by the seller of the
     vehicle as required by § 26-52-513 paid to the Director of the Department of
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     Finance and Administration at the time of the registration of the all-terrain
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     vehicle as required under §§ 26-52-510 and 26-53-126.
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           27-20-205. Certificate of title.
           (a) The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
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     issue a certificate of title to the owner of a three-wheeled, four-wheeled,
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     or six wheeled an all-terrain vehicle that has been registered with the
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     Department of Finance and Administration.
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1	(b) The certificate shall identify the owner's name and address, the
2	vehicle manufacturer, model, year, identification number, seller, date of
3	sale, lienholder, and lienholder's address.
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5	27-20-206. Numbered license decal.
6	The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall
7	furnish the owners of three-wheeled, four-wheeled, or six-wheeled all-terrain
8	vehicles owner of an all-terrain vehicle that have has been registered with
9	the Department of Finance and Administration a two inches by two inches
10	(2x2") numbered license decal that shall be attached to the left front side
11	of the <u>all-terrain</u> vehicle.
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13	27-20-207. No renewal of registration.
14	No renewal of registration of three-wheeled, four-wheeled, or six-
15	wheeled all-terrain vehicles shall be required.
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17	27-20-208. Regulations Rules.
18	The Director of the Department of Finance and Administration may
19	promulgate such rules and regulations as necessary to implement this
20	subchapter.
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22	SECTION 15. Arkansas Code § 27-21-102 is amended to read as follows:
23	27-21-102. Definitions.
24	As used in this chapter:
25	(1)(A) "All-terrain vehicle" means a vehicle that:
26	(i) Has three (3), four (4), or six (6) wheels;
27	(ii) Is fifty inches (50") seventy-five inches (75")
28	or less in width;
29	(iii) Is equipped with nonhighway tires; and
30	(iv) Is designed primarily for off-road recreational
31	use ; and
32	(v) Has an engine displacement of no more than one
33	thousand cubic centimeters (1,000 cc).
34	(B) "All-terrain vehicle" includes a:
35	(i) Multipurpose off-highway utility vehicle;

1	(ii) recreational Recreational off-highway vehicle;
2	<u>and</u>
3	(iii) Utility task vehicle.
4	(C) "All-terrain vehicle" does not include a golf cart,
5	riding lawnmower, or lawn or garden tractor;
6	(2) "Nonhighway tire" means a pneumatic tire:
7	(A) Six inches (6") or more in width;
8	(B) Designed for use on a wheel with a rim diameter of
9	fourteen inches (14") or less; and
10	(C) That uses an operating pressure of twenty pounds per
11	square inch (20 psi) or less as recommended by the vehicle manufacturer;
12	(3)(2) "Public streets and highways" means the part of the
13	street, road, or highway, including the improved road shoulder, that is open
14	to vehicular traffic and that is maintained by the state or by a political
15	subdivision of the State of Arkansas and includes any federal highways; and
16	(4)(A) "Recreational off-highway vehicle" means a vehicle that:
17	(i) Has four (4) or six (6) wheels;
18	(ii) Is seventy-five inches (75") or less in width;
19	(iii) Is equipped with nonhighway tires;
20	(iv) Is designed primarily for off-road recreational
21	use; and
22	(v) Has an engine displacement of no more than one
23	thousand cubic centimeters (1,000 cc).
24	(B) "Recreational off-highway vehicle" includes a:
25	(i) Multipurpose off-highway utility vehicle; and
26	(ii) Utility task vehicle.
27	(C) "Recreational off-highway vehicle" does not include a
28	golf cart, riding lawnmower, or lawn or garden tractor.
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31	SECTION 16. Arkansas Code § 27-21-103 is repealed.
32	27-21-103. Construction.
33	Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to require an all-terrain
34	vehicle to be registered as a motor vehicle, motorcycle, or motor-driven
35	cycle for operation on the public streets and highways.

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SECTION 17. EFFECTIVE DATE. Sections 1-16 of this act are effective
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     on the first day of the calendar quarter following the effective date of this
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     act.
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     Referred by Representative Brown
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     Prepared by: DTP/DTP
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