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ALLOW ORV'S FOR FARMERS

House Bill 4592

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**Committee: Conservation, Environment,
and Great Lakes Affairs**

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4592 INTRODUCED 4-1-93

Currently, under Public Act 319 of 1975, off-road recreation vehicles (ORVs) may only be operated on a street or highway for a special event of limited duration, provided that a permit is obtained from the local governmental unit. House Bill 4592 would amend the act to permit a farmer to operate an ORV on the extreme right side of a roadway or highway right-of-way when it is not practicable to operate off the roadway or right-of-way. Under the bill, such operation would be limited to traveling to or from the farmer's residence, work location, or field, during the course of farming operations. However, operation of an ORV on a roadway would continue to be prohibited in the following situations:

- **During the period beginning 30 minutes after sunset to 30 minutes before sunrise.**
- **When visibility was substantially reduced due to weather conditions.**
- **In a manner so as to interfere with traffic.**

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