

Legislative Analysis



NREPA OFF-ROAD VEHICLE (ORV) PROVISIONS: ADD DEFINITION OF "PEACE OFFICER"

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Senate Bill 1003 as passed by the Senate
Sponsor: Curtis S. VanderWall
House Committee: Judiciary
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SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1003 would amend Subchapter 6 (Motorized Recreational Vehicles) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA) to add a definition of *peace officer* to Part 811 (Off-Road Recreation Vehicles, or ORVs). The bill would also replace references in several provisions to a "local law enforcement officer," "law enforcement officer," or "officer" with "peace officer."

Peace officer would mean any of the following:

- A sheriff.
- A sheriff's deputy.
- A deputy authorized by a sheriff to enforce Part 811 who has satisfactorily completed at least 40 hours of law enforcement training, including training specific to Part 811.
- A village or township marshal.
- An officer of the police department of a municipality.
- An officer of the Department of State Police.
- The director and conservation officers employed by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

Under the bill, the term *peace officer* would be defined in Part 811 the same as it is currently under Part 821 (Snowmobiles), which also is within Subchapter 6.

MCL 324.81101 et seq.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 1003, as passed by the Senate, will have no fiscal impact on the state or on local units of government.

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