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Senate Bills 209 through 211 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Ed McBroom Committee: Natural Resources

## **CONTENT**

<u>Senate Bill 210</u> would amend Part 811 (Off-Road Recreation Vehicles) of the Natural Resources and Environmental Act (NREPA) to do the following:

- -- Allow an individual to ride an off-road vehicle without a crash helmet or protective eyewear if he or she possessed a written verification from a physician that he or she could not, for physical or medical reasons, wear a helmet.
- -- Require an individual to exhibit the written verification upon the request of a peace officer.

Senate Bill 211 would amend Part 821 (Snowmobiles) of NREPA to do the following:

- -- Allow an individual to operate or ride a snowmobile without a helmet if he or she possessed a written verification from a physician that he or she could not, for physical or medical reason, wear a helmet.
- -- Require an individual to exhibit the written verification upon the request of a peace officer.

<u>Senate Bill 209</u> would amend the Revised Judicature Act to specify that a physician would not be liable for civil damages that resulted from the physician's provision of or failure to provide a written verification that an individual who was under his or her care was unable, for physical or medical reasons, to wear a crash helmet, safety belt, or both.

Proposed MCL 600.2980 (S.B. 209) MCL 324.81133 (S.B. 210) MCL 324.82123 (S.B. 211) Legislative Analyst: Dana Adams

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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