

By: Representative Barnett (92nd)

To: Transportation

HOUSE BILL NO. 328

1 AN ACT TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES ON PUBLIC
2 HIGHWAYS, ROADS AND STREETS IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI; TO
3 PROVIDE A PENALTY FOR A VIOLATION OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED
4 PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** (1) The term "all-terrain vehicle," as used in
7 this section, means any motorized vehicle manufactured and
8 designed exclusively for off-road use that travels on three (3),
9 four (4) or more low pressure tires, has a seat designed to be
10 straddled by the operator and uses handlebars for steering
11 control.

12 (2) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate an
13 all-terrain vehicle on any public highway, road or street in this
14 state. Any person who violates the provisions of this act shall
15 be guilty of a misdemeanor and fined not more than Five Hundred
16 Dollars (\$500.00).

17 (3) A parent, guardian or custodian of a minor child shall
18 be financially responsible for the payment of any criminal fines
19 imposed against the minor for a violation of the provisions of
20 subsection (2) of this section.

21 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
22 and after July 1, 2003.

