CHAPTER 148

SENATE BILL 1596

AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE ARIZONA OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLE STUDY COMMITTEE.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)
Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

Section 1. Arizona off-highway vehicle study committee; membership; duties; report; delayed repeal

A. The Arizona off-highway vehicle study committee is established consisting of the following members:

1. Two members of the senate who are appointed by the president of the senate and who are members of different political parties. The president of the senate shall designate one of these members to serve as cochairperson of the committee.

2. Two members of the house of representatives who are appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives and who are members of different political parties. The speaker of the house of representatives shall designate one of these members to serve as cochairperson of the committee.

3. The director of the Arizona game and fish department or the director's designee.

4. The director of the department of transportation or the director's designee.

5. The director of the Arizona state parks board or the director's designee.

6. The commissioner of the state land department or the commissioner's designee.

7. One law enforcement officer who enforces off-highway vehicle laws and who is appointed by the governor.

8. One representative of an organization representing hunting or fishing or a similar outdoor sports activity in this state who is appointed by the governor.

9. Two members who represent an off-highway vehicle organization or recreational group in this state. One member shall be appointed by the president of the senate and one member shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

10. One representative of an off-highway vehicle rental company in this state who is appointed by the president of the senate.

11. One representative of an off-highway vehicle manufacturer or retailer in this state who is appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives.

12. One representative of the farming and agriculture industry in this state who is appointed by the governor.

13. Two members of the public who are knowledgeable about outdoor recreation issues in this state and about trails used by off-highway vehicle operators. The president of the senate shall appoint these members. One of the members shall represent holders of federal grazing permits or other land use permits.

B. Appointed members serve at the pleasure of the person who made the appointment.
C. Committee members are not eligible to receive compensation, but members who are appointed by the governor are eligible for reimbursement of expenses under title 38, chapter 4, article 2, Arizona Revised Statutes.

D. The committee shall:

1. Meet to collect and study information from the public and stakeholders regarding off-highway vehicle issues in this state.

2. On or before January 1 of each year, submit a report regarding the committee's activities and recommendations for administrative or legislative action to the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of representatives and provide a copy of this report to the secretary of state.

E. This section is repealed from and after May 31, 2024.