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TESTIMONY – SENATE BILL 912

***CHARLES COUNTY – OFF-HIGHWAY RECREATIONAL
VEHICLES – REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT***

JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COMMITTEE

MARCH 5, 2025

Chair Smith, Vice Chair Waldstreicher, and Committee Members:

Senate Bill 912 is a Charles County local bill that authorizes the Board of Charles County Commissioners to adopt regulations on the operation of off-highway vehicles. The bill enables Charles County to require off-highway recreational vehicles to be registered with the county, to impose registration fees, to impose age restrictions on the use of these vehicles, and to impound vehicles that operate in violation of the law.

This legislation simply provides a means to the end of improving public safety in Charles County and finding a better way of protecting motorists and pedestrians from the negligent use of off-highway recreational vehicles.

This is a piece of local legislation that comes with the unanimous support of the Charles County Senate Delegation.

For the reasons listed above, I ask for a favorable report of Senate Bill 912.