OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION COMMISSION

SAN DIEGO, CA

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STAFF REPORT: Legislative Update

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SUBJECT: California Legislation

Summary

This report provides summary excerpts and the status of legislation affecting the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Program. Information contained in this report is accurate as of June 18, 2024.

Senate Bill 632 (Caballero) Red Rock Canyon State Park Combined Use Road Access.

Summary: This bill would authorize the Department to administer a pilot program at Red Rock Canyon State Park, to evaluate the use of Off-Highway Vehicles (OHVs) on specified combined use highways, until 2030. Additionally, the bill would require the Department, in consultation with Caltrans and CHP, to submit a report to the Legislature on the effectiveness of the pilot project on or before January 1, 2029.

Status: Re-referred to the Assembly Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee and the Assembly Transportation Committee

SB 708 (Jones) Vehicles: off-highway motorcycles: sanctioned event permit.

Summary: This bill would establish a "sanctioned event permit", which would authorize California residents to operate their off-road motorcycles in competitions or races on public lands, as specified. The bill stipulates that eligibility for the permit would be limited to off-road motorcycles, model year 2022 or newer, that are not eligible for the Green or Red Sticker registration issued by DMV. The bill would require the Department to administer the annual permit program and to establish a permit fee to recover operational and administrative costs. The bill would also require the permit to be available for online purchase by January 1, 2026.

Status: Re-referred to the Assembly Committee on Transportation

Commission Action

For information only

Attachments