

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2007

HOUSE BILL 638
RATIFIED BILL

AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF KING AND THE TOWN OF MAIDEN TO ALLOW LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES TO USE ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLES ON HIGHWAYS WITH POSTED SPEED LIMITS OF THIRTY-FIVE MILES PER HOUR OR LESS AND TO USE GOLF CARTS ON PUBLIC STREETS AND HIGHWAYS, OR ANY PROPERTY OWNED OR LEASED BY THE CITY OR TOWN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Chapter 20 of the General Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read:

"§ 20-114.4. Law enforcement and municipal employee all-terrain vehicles permitted on highways with speed limits of 35 miles per hour or less; golf carts on property owned or leased by a municipality.

Law enforcement officers enforcing the laws of the State and municipal employees may use all-terrain vehicles, as defined in G.S. 14-159.3(b) and owned or leased by the municipality, on public highways where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. Law enforcement officers and municipal employees may operate all-terrain vehicles on nonfully controlled access highways with higher speeds for the purpose of traveling from a speed zone to an adjacent speed zone where the speed limit is 35 miles per hour or less. Law enforcement officers and municipal employees may also operate golf carts as defined in G.S. 20-4.01(12a) and owned or leased by the municipality on public streets or highways within the city limits and on any property owned or leased by the city for the purposes of conducting official city business."

SECTION 2. This act applies to the City of King and the Town of Maiden only.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 12th day of July, 2007.

Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

Joe Hackney
Speaker of the House of Representatives