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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **717**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to natural resources; providing for certain all-terrain vehicle registration  
1.3 and watercraft license exemptions; amending Minnesota Statutes 2012, sections  
1.4 84.922, subdivision 1a; 86B.301, subdivision 2.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 84.922, subdivision 1a, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 1a. **Exemptions.** All-terrain vehicles exempt from registration are:

1.8 (1) vehicles owned and used by the United States, an Indian tribal government, the  
1.9 state, another state, or a political subdivision;

1.10 (2) vehicles that are registered in another state or country ~~that~~ and have not been  
1.11 in this state for more than 30 consecutive days or that are registered by an Indian tribal  
1.12 government to a tribal member and have not been outside the tribal reservation boundary  
1.13 for more than 30 consecutive days;

1.14 (3) vehicles that:

1.15 (i) are owned by a resident of another state or country that does not require  
1.16 registration of all-terrain vehicles;

1.17 (ii) have not been in this state for more than 30 consecutive days; and

1.18 (iii) are operated on state and grant-in-aid trails by a nonresident possessing a  
1.19 nonresident all-terrain vehicle state trail pass;

1.20 (4) vehicles used exclusively in organized track racing events; and

1.21 (5) vehicles that are 25 years old or older and were originally produced as a separate  
1.22 identifiable make by a manufacturer.

1.23 Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2012, section 86B.301, subdivision 2, is amended to read:

2.1 Subd. 2. **Exemptions.** A watercraft license is not required for:

2.2 (1) a watercraft that is covered by a license or number in full force and effect under  
2.3 federal law or a federally approved licensing or numbering system of another state, and  
2.4 has not been within this state for more than 90 consecutive days, which does not include  
2.5 days that a watercraft is laid up at dock over winter or for repairs at a Lake Superior  
2.6 port or another port in the state;

2.7 (2) a watercraft from a country other than the United States that has not been within  
2.8 this state for more than 90 consecutive days, which does not include days that a watercraft is  
2.9 laid up at dock over winter or for repairs at a Lake Superior port or another port in the state;

2.10 (3) a watercraft owned by the United States, an Indian tribal government, a state, or  
2.11 a political subdivision of a state, except watercraft used for recreational purposes;

2.12 (4) a ship's lifeboat;

2.13 (5) a watercraft that has been issued a valid marine document by the United States  
2.14 government;

2.15 (6) a duck boat during duck hunting season;

2.16 (7) a rice boat during the harvest season;

2.17 (8) a seaplane; ~~and~~

2.18 (9) a nonmotorized watercraft ten feet in length or less; and

2.19 (10) a watercraft that is covered by a valid license or number issued by a federally  
2.20 recognized Indian tribe in the state under a federally approved licensing or numbering  
2.21 system and that is owned by a member of that tribe.