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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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H. F. No. **1737**

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Mining and Outdoor Recreation Policy

1.1 A bill for an act  
1.2 relating to natural resources; allowing certain vehicle use by hunters in  
1.3 state forests in August; amending Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 84.926,  
1.4 subdivision 4.

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

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2014, section 84.926, subdivision 4, is amended to read:

1.7 Subd. 4. **Off-road and all-terrain vehicles; limited or managed forests; trails.**

1.8 Notwithstanding section 84.777, but subject to the commissioner's authority under  
1.9 subdivision 5, on state forest lands classified as limited or managed, other than the Richard  
1.10 J. Dorer Memorial Hardwood Forest, a person may use vehicles registered under chapter  
1.11 168 or section 84.798 or 84.922, including class 2 all-terrain vehicles, on forest trails  
1.12 designated for off-road vehicle use and on forest trails that are not designated for a  
1.13 specific use when:

1.14 (1) hunting big game or transporting or installing hunting stands during October,  
1.15 November, and December, when in possession of a valid big game hunting license;

1.16 (2) ~~retrieving hunting big game in~~ transporting or installing hunting stands or bait  
1.17 during August and September, when in possession of a valid big game hunting license;

1.18 (3) tending traps during an open trapping season for protected furbearers, when in  
1.19 possession of a valid trapping license; or

1.20 (4) trapping minnows, when in possession of a valid minnow dealer, private fish  
1.21 hatchery, or aquatic farm license.