

2026 Regular Session

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 282

BY REPRESENTATIVES CHANCE HENRY AND CHASSION

A RESOLUTION

To create the Task Force on Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTVs) to study the feasibility of implementing safety regulations regarding UTVs.

WHEREAS, some UTVs are capable of going upwards of sixty miles per hour; and

WHEREAS, UTVs can be made street legal and travel on public roads alongside motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the UTV market rose above ten billion dollars in 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Consumer Federation of America reported seventy-eight UTV fatalities in 2024.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby establish and provide for the Task Force on Utility Terrain Vehicles to study laws and regulations for the safe operation of utility terrain vehicles and to provide recommendations or proposals for legislation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any recommendations or proposals shall be submitted by written report to the House Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works and to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library as required by R.S. 24:772 before the convening of the 2027 Regular Session.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of the following members:

- (1) The superintendent of Louisiana State Police or his designee.
- (2) The executive director of Louisiana Sheriffs' Association or his designee.
- (3) The executive director of Louisiana Association of Chiefs of Police or his designee.
- (4) The secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development or his designee.
- (5) The executive director of the Louisiana Highway Safety Commission or his designee.

- (6) The commissioner of the office of motor vehicles or his designee.
- (7) The commissioner of the Department of Insurance or his designee.
- (8) The state fire marshal or his designee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that at the first meeting, the members shall elect a chairman and other officers as the task force may deem appropriate.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall convene its first meeting no later than August 1, 2026, and once every two months thereafter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a majority of the task force constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business and all official actions of the task force require the affirmative vote of a majority of the members.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall serve without compensation, except per diem or expenses reimbursement to which they may be individually entitled as members of their constituent organizations.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that meetings of the task force are subject to the Open Meetings Law, R.S. 42:11 et seq., and records of the task force are subject to the Public Records Law, R.S. 44:1 et seq.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES