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I am a resident of Saint David Maine. My husband and I own a small business that caters to the outdoor enthusiasts. We have been responsible ATV/SXS riders for many many years. We have also owned hundreds of acres of land in Cumberland county. In the recent we purchased our dream SXS and spent thousands of dollars on our machine. It is now in question that our machine may not be able to be used if this law is passed. Our business counts on guests family and friends to be able to enjoy our gorgeous trails in the north country. I understand that some folks may not respect our trails but I firmly believe that for the most part the good out way the bad seeds. That being said the majority of our local and tourist are riding these machines to have the entire family enjoying the great outdoors and to experience what Maine actually has to offer. I feel that if these larger machines are banned from registration it would be a huge lose to our local economy as well as lose to businesses that have around for years. We purchased our machine from Fort Kent Power Sports and over 60% of the sales the these style machines heavily weighed the sale. The impact to out businesses would be enormous. Please take each and every persons comments and concerns into consideration. In the event we are unable to re-register our machine will in addition create a financial concern as we will no longer be able to ride our machine. As a very concerned citizen we are all asking that the State continue to allow to ride, respect and continue to patronize and contribute to the local economy.