

# SENATE BILL No. 19

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 9-18.1-14-11.

**Synopsis:** Operation of off-road vehicles. Exempts the following individuals from the requirement of wearing a helmet while operating or riding on an off-road vehicle if the off-road vehicle is equipped with a roll cage: (1) An individual at least eight years of age who operates or rides on the off-road vehicle while wearing a safety belt. (2) An individual less than eight years of age who rides on the off-road vehicle while restrained in a child restraint system in accordance with state law. Defines "roll cage".

**Effective:** July 1, 2018.

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January 3, 2018, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security and Transportation.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 9-18.1-14-11, AS ADDED BY P.L.141-2017,  
2 SECTION 1, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2018]: Sec. 11. **(a) As used in this section, "roll cage"**  
4 **means a framework of reinforcements fitted around the passenger**  
5 **compartment of a vehicle to protect the occupants from injury in**  
6 **the event of a vehicle rollover.**

7 **(a) (b) Except as provided in subsection (c),** an individual less  
8 than eighteen (18) years of age who is operating or riding on an  
9 off-road vehicle shall wear a helmet that meets the standards  
10 established by the United States Department of Transportation under  
11 49 CFR 571.218 as in effect January 1, 1979.

12 **(c) This section does not apply to the following individuals if the**  
13 **off-road vehicle is equipped with a roll cage:**

14 **(1) An individual at least eight (8) years of age who operates**  
15 **or rides on the off-road vehicle while wearing a safety belt.**

16 **(2) An individual less than eight (8) years of age who rides on**  
17 **the off-road vehicle while properly fastened into and**



1           **restrained by a child restraint system according to the**  
2           **manufacturer's instruction, as required under IC 9-19-11-2.**  
3           ~~(b)~~ **(d)** An individual who violates this section commits a Class C  
4           infraction.

