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**HOUSE REPUBLICANS VOTE TO ALLOW LOADED WEAPONS ON  
SNOWMOBILES,  
JEOPARDIZING SAFETY OF SPORT CRITICAL TO NORTH COUNTRY ECONOMY**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE** -Today Republicans in the House of Representatives passed HB 1636, a bill to allow the open-carry of loaded firearms on OHRV's and snowmobiles. Following the vote, member of the House Criminal Justice Committee, **Rep. Amy Bradley (D-Manchester)** released the following statement:

"For many years, states like New Hampshire and have banned the practice of allowing loaded weapons on ATVs and snowmobiles. The rationale is basic: If you've ever been around guns and off-road vehicles you know how bumpy the ride can get, how an accidental spill or collision is always a risk, and how dangerous a loaded gun can be when it's dropped or mishandled.

HB 1636 invites unnecessary tragedy and an element of unwanted risk. This bill makes a sport that many people in the North Country depend on for income less attractive and less safe for the very people whose interest and engagement provides the best chance for it to grow."