

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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NO. 1018

H.P. 755 House of Representatives, March 30, 1987
Reference to the Committee on Fisheries and Wildlife
suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Presented by Representative INGRAHAM of Houlton.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SEVEN

1 **AN ACT to Provide for Staggered Registration**
2 **of Snowmobiles and All Terrain Vehicles.**
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4 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
5 follows:

6 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7824, sub-§1, as enacted by PL
7 1979, c. 420, §1, is repealed and the following en-
8 acted in its place:

9 1. Application and issuance. The commissioner,
10 or an agent designated by him, may register and as-
11 sign a registration number to any snowmobile upon ap-
12 plication and payment of an annual fee by the owner.

13 A. A registration, except for snowmobiles owned
14 by corporations, shall expire annually on the

1 last day of the month of the snowmobile owner's
2 birthday.

3 B. Registrations for snowmobiles owned by corpo-
4 rations shall expire on the last day of the
5 month, one year from the month of issuance.

6 C. The commissioner shall, by rule, establish a
7 system of proration of registration fees for
8 snowmobiles registered within 12 months after the
9 effective date of this paragraph, for any owner
10 who is required to register prior to the expira-
11 tion of a registration issued before the effec-
12 tive date of this paragraph.

13 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7854, sub-§1, as amended by PL**
14 **1985, c. 762, §5, is repealed and the following en-**
15 **acted in its place:**

16 1. Application and issuance. The commissioner,
17 or an agent designated by him, may register and as-
18 sign registration number plates to any ATV upon ap-
19 plication and payment of an annual fee by the owner.
20 The plates shall be attached securely to the front
21 and rear of the vehicle and shall be clearly visible.
22 After the first year of registration of the vehicle,
23 the commissioner may issue validation devices which
24 shall be placed on the number plates.

25 A. A registration, except for an ATV owned by a
26 corporation, shall expire annually on the last
27 day of the month of the ATV owner's birthday.

28 B. ATV registration for an ATV owned by corpora-
29 tions shall expire on the last day of the month,
30 one year from the month of issuance.

31 C. The commissioner shall, by rule, establish a
32 system of proration of registration fees for ATVs
33 registered within 12 months after the effective
34 date of this paragraph, for any owner who is re-
35 quired to register prior to the expiration of a
36 registration issued before the effective date of
37 this paragraph.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill establishes a staggered system of registration for snowmobiles and ATVs.

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