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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
105TH LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 484, L. D. 1592, Bill,
"AN ACT to Amend the Snowmobile Law."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 2.

Further amend said Bill in section 5 in the 5th and 6th lines
(4th line in L. D.) by striking out "permanently transfers the
ownership or" and inserting in place thereof 'transfers the
ownership or permanently'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 7
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 7. R. S., T. 12, §1975, amended. The first sentence
of section 1975 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted
by section 1 of chapter 414 of the public laws of 1969, is
amended to read as follows:

No registration shall be required for a snowmobile owned and
operated over the snow on land on which a person lives, ~~on lands~~
~~to which he has a contractual right~~ or on lands on which he is
domiciled, provided the snowmobile is not operated elsewhere
within the jurisdiction of the State.'

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 3 to 9
to be sections 2 to 8.

Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 9 the
following:

'Sec. 9. R. S., T. 12, §1976, amended. The last paragraph
of section 1976 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted
by section 1 of chapter 414 of the public laws of 1969, is
amended to read as follows:

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The Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game may issue temporary numbers and registrations to bona fide dealers who may upon the sale or exchange of a snowmobile issue them to new owners in order to allow them to operate snowmobiles for a period of ~~10~~ 20 consecutive days only after the day of sale in lieu of a permanent number as required by this chapter.

Sec. 9-A. R. S., T. 12, §1977, amended. Section 1977 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 414 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding after the first paragraph a new paragraph to read as follows:

No person shall operate a snowmobile upon any plowed private road in the winter, after having been forbidden to do so by the owner thereof, either personally or by an appropriate notice posted conspicuously on said road.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 14 and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 14. R. S., T. 12, §1979, sub-§§6 and 7, additional. Section 1979 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 414 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding 2 new subsections 6 and 7 in the first paragraph, to read as follows:

6. Issuance of dealer plates. Regulations providing for the issuance of dealer plates, including determination of the number of plates to be issued to persons who are in the business of selling snowmobiles.

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7. Registration number. Regulations governing the form and manner for displaying the registration number assigned to a snowmobile.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 15 the following:

'Sec. 15-A. R. S., T. 12, §1982, amended. The first sentence of section 1982 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 414 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

The operator of any snowmobile involved in any accident resulting in injuries requiring overnight hospitalization or death of any person or property damage to the estimated amount of \$100 or more, or some person acting for him, or the owner of said snowmobile having knowledge of the accident should the operator of same be unknown, shall immediately by the quickest means of communication give notice of the accident either to the State Police officer or warden of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game assigned to the area wherein the accident occurred, to the nearest State Police office or to the sheriff's office within the county wherein the accident occurred, or the office of the police department of the municipality wherein the accident occurred.'

Further amend said Bill in section 16 by striking out in the 10th line (7th line of L. D.) the underlined words "the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'any investigating agency'

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Further amend said Bill in section 16 by striking out in the 15th line (10th line of L. D.) the underlined word "commissioner" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'investigating agency'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 3rd line from the end of section 17 (same in L. D.) the following: "1312, 1312-A, 1315" and inserting in place thereof the following: '1312, ~~1312-A~~, 1315'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment will:

1. Prohibit operation of snowmobiles on plowed private roads in the winter.
2. Require registration of snowmobiles operated on lands to which a person has contractual rights.
3. Give the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game the power to provide regulations for displaying registration numbers.
4. To extend the length of time for the use of temporary registrations for snowmobiles from 10 days to 20 days.
5. To change the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game to "any investigating agency" in section 16 of the bill.

Reported by the Committee on LEGAL AFFAIRS.

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