

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

NO. 1206

H.P. 904 House of Representatives, April 10, 1987
Reported by Representative JACQUES from the Committee on
Fisheries and Wildlife and printed under Joint Rule 2.
EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
Original bill sponsored by Representative FARREN of
Cherryfield. Cosponsored by Senators DOW of Kennebec, PERKINS
of Hancock and Representative ANDERSON of Woodland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Concerning Snowmobile Registration
Fees.

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4 **Emergency preamble.** Whereas, Acts of the Legis-
5 lature do not become effective until 90 days after
6 adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, snowmobiling is an important asset for
Maine, both in terms of recreational opportunities
and economic stimuli; and

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Whereas, there is an extensive trail system with-
in the State that is supported and maintained through
the Snowmobile Trail Fund, municipal and snowmobile
club contributions, as well as substantial volunteer
efforts; and

1 Whereas, these trails are open for use to any
2 persons; and

3 Whereas, the fund can no longer continue to sup-
4 port the current system of trails without an increase
5 in revenues; and

6 Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature,
7 these facts create an emergency within the meaning of
8 the Constitution of Maine and require the following
9 legislation as immediately necessary for the preser-
10 vation of the public peace, health and safety; now,
11 therefore,

12 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
13 follows:

14 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7824, sub-§2, as enacted by PL
15 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:

16 2. Fee. The annual snowmobile registration fee
17 is ~~\$11.25~~ \$16.

18 Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7824, sub-§3, ¶A, as amended by
19 PL 1985, c. 459, Pt. C, §2, is further amended to
20 read:

21 A. The registration fee for residents shall be
22 credited as follows:

23 (1) \$4.75 of each fee shall be credited to
24 the department;

25 (2) ~~50¢~~ \$5.25 of each fee shall be credited
26 to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Bureau
27 of Parks and Recreation; and

28 (3) \$6 of each fee shall be annually dis-
29 tributed to the municipality of the owner's
30 residence as shown on his registration cer-
31 tificate, except that in unorganized terri-
32 tory, \$6 of each fee shall be annually dis-
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35 cate and credited to the unorganized terri-
36 tory fund of that county established in Ti-
37 tle 30, section 5902.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

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This new draft provides needed funds to the Snow-
mobile Trail Fund so that programs currently in place
can be continued.

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