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L.D. 611

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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Reported by: *Majority*

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STATE OF MAINE  
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118TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 193, L.D. 611, Bill, "An Act to Ensure Funding for Snowmobile Law Enforcement Activities"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2, 3 and 4 and inserting in their place the following:

'Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §7824, sub-§3, ¶B, as amended by PL 1997, c. 24, Pt. I, §9, is further amended to read:

B. The registration fee for nonresidents is credited as follows.

(1) ~~Twenty-five~~ Eighteen percent is credited to the General Fund as undedicated revenue.

(1-A) Seven percent is credited to the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund established under section 7824-G.

(2) The remainder is credited to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands.'

Further amend the bill by inserting after section 6 the following:

**Sec. 7. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from Other Special Revenue to carry out the purposes of this Act.

2		1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
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6 **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF**

8 **Enforcement Operations**

10	All Other	\$42,000	\$24,536	\$24,536
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12 Provides allocations from the  
13 Snowmobile Enforcement Fund  
14 to authorize expenditures for  
15 snowmobile enforcement  
16 activities.'

18 Further amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any  
19 nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read  
20 consecutively.

22 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the  
23 summary the following:

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26 **FISCAL NOTE**

28		1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
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30 **APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS**

32	Other Funds	\$42,000	\$24,536	\$24,536
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34 **REVENUES**

36	General Fund	(\$24,536)	(\$24,536)	
37	Other Funds	42,000	24,536	24,536

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40 Dedicating a portion of each nonresident snowmobile  
41 registration fee collected by the Department of Inland Fisheries  
42 and Wildlife to the new Snowmobile Enforcement Fund will reduce  
43 General Fund revenue by \$24,536 annually beginning in fiscal year  
44 1997-98 and increase dedicated revenues by the same amount to the  
45 Snowmobile Enforcement Fund within the department beginning in  
46 fiscal year 1997-98. This bill also transfers \$42,000 from the  
47 Carrying Balances - IF&W program to the Snowmobile Enforcement  
48 Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.  
49 This transfer will result in additional dedicated revenue to the  
50 Snowmobile Enforcement Fund in fiscal year 1996-97.

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2 Allocations from the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund are  
included to authorize the expenditure of this additional  
4 dedicated revenue for snowmobile enforcement activities.'

6 **SUMMARY**

8 This is the majority report of the Joint Standing Committee  
on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

10 This amendment strikes the provisions in the bill that  
12 relate to resident snowmobile registrations and makes technical  
changes to the bill to avoid conflicts with changes enacted  
14 earlier in the session by Public Law 1997, chapter 24.

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**