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House of Representatives, February 28, 2001

An Act to Change the Snowmobile Registration Rates.

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative CLARK of Millinocket.

Cosponsored by Representatives: DUNLAP of Old Town, HONEY of Boothbay, JONES of Greenville, STANLEY of Medway, Senators: KNEELAND of Aroostook, MARTIN of Aroostook.

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

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §7824, sub-§2, as amended by PL 1997, c. 227, §2, is further amended to read:

2. Fee. Except as provided in subsection 2-B, the annual snowmobile registration fee is as follows:

A. For residents, ~~\$25~~ \$30. The registration for a snowmobile owned by a resident is valid for one year, commencing on July 1st of each year; and

B. For nonresidents:

(1) ~~Thirty-five~~ Forty dollars for a 3-consecutive day registration. A person may purchase more than one 3-day registration in any season;

(2) ~~Fifty~~ Fifty-five dollars for a 10-consecutive day registration. A person may purchase more than one 10-day registration in any season; and

(3) ~~Sixty~~ Sixty-five dollars for a seasonal registration.

The registration for a snowmobile owned by a nonresident must specify the dates for which the registration is valid.

Five dollars from each registration fee in this subsection must to be transferred to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation. The funds must be used to assist any entity that has a snowmobile trail-grooming contract with the bureau in the purchase of trail-grooming equipment.

Sec. 2. Retroactivity. This Act applies retroactively to July 1, 2001.

SUMMARY

This bill increases resident and nonresident snowmobile registration rates by \$5 and dedicates that amount to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands to assist any entity that has a snowmobile trail-grooming contract with the bureau in the purchase of trail-grooming equipment. Exempt from this increase is any snowmobile registered as an antique under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 12, section 7824, subsection 2-B.

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This bill also makes the fees retroactive to July 1, 2001.