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INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
130TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 196, L.D. 280, "An Act To Increase Funding for Snowmobile Trails and Capital Equipment Grants"

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2015, c. 237, §2, is further amended to read:

4. Fee. Except as provided in subsection 5, the annual snowmobile registration fee is as follows:

A. For residents, ~~\$45~~ \$55. 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) ~~Forty-nine~~ Seventy-four dollars for a 3-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 3-day registration in any season;
 - (2) ~~Ninety-nine~~ One hundred and nineteen dollars for a seasonal registration; and
 - (3) ~~Seventy-five~~ Ninety-nine dollars for a 10-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 10-day registration in any season.

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

Five Ten dollars from each resident registration fee and \$15 from each nonresident registration fee collected pursuant to this subsection must be transferred to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry. The funds must be used to assist any entity that has a snowmobile trail grooming contract with the Bureau of Parks and Lands in the purchase of trail-grooming equipment. The funds also may be used for the repair or overhaul of trail-grooming equipment.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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1 ~~Twelve~~ Seventeen dollars from each resident snowmobile registration fee must be
2 transferred to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Agriculture, Conservation
3 and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands.

4 ~~Six~~ Sixteen dollars from each nonresident 3-day snowmobile registration fee, ~~\$6~~ \$16 from
5 each nonresident 10-day snowmobile registration fee and ~~\$11~~ \$21 from each nonresident
6 seasonal snowmobile registration fee must be transferred to the Snowmobile Trail Fund of
7 the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Bureau of Parks and Lands.

8 Five dollars from each non-resident 3-day snowmobile registration fee and 10-day
9 snowmobile registration fee must be transferred to the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund
10 established under section 10258.

11 **Sec. 2. Appropriations and allocations.** The following appropriations and
12 allocations are made.

13 **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**

14 **Off-Road Recreational Vehicles Program Z224**

15 Initiative: Provides allocations for grants to assist any entity that has a snowmobile trail
16 grooming contract with the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry with the
17 purchase or repair of trail-grooming equipment.

18	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
19	All Other	\$492,630	\$492,630
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21	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$492,630</u>	<u>\$492,630</u>

22 **Off-Road Recreational Vehicles Program Z224**

23 Initiative: Provides allocations for grants related to snowmobile trail acquisition.

24	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
25	All Other	\$491,432	\$491,432
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27	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$491,432</u>	<u>\$491,432</u>

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29 **AGRICULTURE, CONSERVATION AND**
30 **FORESTRY, DEPARTMENT OF**
31 **DEPARTMENT TOTALS**

32		2021-22	2022-23
33	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$984,062	\$984,062
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35	DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$984,062</u>	<u>\$984,062</u>

36 **INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF**

37 **Enforcement Operations - Inland Fisheries and Wildlife 0537**

38 Initiative: Provides allocations for activities related to snowmobile enforcement operations,
39 safety and educational programs and purchases of equipment or machinery.

40	OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	2021-22	2022-23
41	All Other	\$26,940	\$26,940

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OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TOTAL	<u>\$26,940</u>	<u>\$26,940</u>
INLAND FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE, DEPARTMENT OF DEPARTMENT TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$26,940	\$26,940
DEPARTMENT TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$26,940</u>	<u>\$26,940</u>
SECTION TOTALS	2021-22	2022-23
OTHER SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002
SECTION TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	<u>\$1,011,002</u>	<u>\$1,011,002</u>

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment changes the 3-day snowmobile registration fee for nonresidents from \$69 to \$74 and the 10-day snowmobile registration fee for nonresidents from \$95 to \$99. The portion of the registration fees allocated to help fund the Snowmobile Trail Fund and the fund responsible for capital equipment grants are changed. Ten dollars from resident registration fees and \$15 from nonresident registration fees must be transferred to the fund used for capital equipment grants. The portion of the nonresident registration fees allocated to the Snowmobile Trail Fund are reduced by \$5. This amendment also designates that \$5 from the 3-day and 10-day nonresident registration fees must be transferred to the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund established in the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, Bureau of Warden Service. The amendment also adds an appropriations and allocations section.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)



130th MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 280

LR 672(02)

An Act To Increase Funding for Snowmobile Trails and Capital Equipment Grants

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-188)
Committee: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

	FY 2021-22	FY 2022-23	Projections FY 2023-24	Projections FY 2024-25
Appropriations/Allocations				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002
Revenue				
Other Special Revenue Funds	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002	\$1,011,002

Fiscal Detail and Notes

This bill will increase Snowmobile registration fees from \$45 to \$55 for a resident annual registration, \$49 to \$74 for a nonresident three-day registration, \$75 to \$99 for a nonresident ten-day registration and \$99 to \$119 for a nonresident seasonal registration. The bill directs \$10 from each resident registration fee and \$15 from each nonresident registration fee to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF). The bill also directs \$17 from each resident registration fee, \$16 from each nonresident three-day registration fee, \$16 from each nonresident ten-day registration fee and \$21 from each nonresident seasonal snowmobile registration fee to the Snowmobile Trail Fund within the ACF. Finally, the bill directs \$5 from each nonresident three-day and each ten-day registration fee to the Snowmobile Enforcement Fund within the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (IFW).

Based on current snowmobile registrations, it is estimated that the registration fee increases will generate an additional \$1,011,002 in Other Special Revenue Funds revenue starting in fiscal year 2021-22. This bill includes Other Special Revenue Funds allocations of \$984,062 to the ACF and \$26,940 to the IFW starting in fiscal year 2021-22 to allow for the expenditure of the additional revenue.