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No. 1813

S.P. 640

In Senate, December 17, 2021

An Act To Amend the Definition of "Oversized ATV" To Increase the Minimum Weight Requirement

(AFTER DEADLINE)

(EMERGENCY)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on December 15, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by President JACKSON of Aroostook.
Cosponsored by Representative MARTIN of Eagle Lake and
Senators: DAVIS of Piscataquis, STEWART of Aroostook, Representatives: MARTIN of
Sinclair, WHITE of Mars Hill.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

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Whereas, this legislation must take effect before the expiration of the 90-day period in order to make, as soon as possible, an amendment to law enacted by Public Law 2021, chapter 215, which took effect on October 18, 2021; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

- **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13155, sub-§5-B,** as enacted by PL 2021, c. 215, §8, is amended to read:
- **5-B. Oversized ATV.** A person may not register an oversized ATV except as provided in this subsection. A resident who has registered an oversized ATV prior to January 1, 2022 may continue to register that oversized ATV upon payment of the fee specified in subsection 5, paragraph A, and upon a transfer of ownership of that registered oversized ATV, the new owner may also register that oversized ATV upon payment of the fee specified in subsection 5, paragraph A. For purposes of this subsection, "oversized ATV" means an ATV that is wider than 65 inches or weighs more than 2,000 2,400 pounds according to the manufacturer's specifications.
- **Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

23 SUMMARY

This bill changes the definition of "oversized ATV" to increase the weight threshold from 2,000 pounds to 2,400 pounds.