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An Act To Allow a Portion of Snowmobile Registration Fees To Be Used for the Repair of Trail-grooming Equipment

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

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Presented by Representative DAVIS of Sangerville. Cosponsored by Senator THIBODEAU of Waldo and Representatives: BLACK of Wilton, BURNS of Whiting, CRAFTS of Lisbon, FREDETTE of Newport, HAMPER of Oxford, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, Senators: JACKSON of Aroostook, SHERMAN of Aroostook.

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- 1 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. OO, §20 3 and c. 226, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: 4 4. Fee. Except as provided in subsection 5, the annual snowmobile registration fee is 5 as follows: A. For residents, \$40. The registration for a snowmobile owned by a resident is 6 valid for one year, commencing on July 1st of each year; and 7 8 B. For nonresidents: 9 (1) Forty-three dollars for a 3-consecutive-day registration. A person may purchase more than one 3-day registration in any season; and 10 11 (2) Eighty-eight dollars for a seasonal registration. 12 The registration for a snowmobile owned by a nonresident must specify the dates for which the registration is valid. 13 14 Five dollars from each registration fee collected pursuant to this subsection must be transferred to a special fund administered by the Off-Road Vehicle Division of the 15 16 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 17 the purchase of trail-grooming equipment. The funds also may be used for the repair or 18 19 overhaul of trail-grooming equipment. Seven dollars from each resident snowmobile registration fee must be transferred to the 20 Snowmobile Trail Fund of the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands. 21 22 **SUMMARY** 23 This bill allows a portion of snowmobile registration fees to be used for the repair of trail-grooming equipment used by entities that have snowmobile trail grooming contracts 24 25 with the Department of Conservation, Bureau of Parks and Lands. The bill also corrects a conflict created by Public Law 2009, chapter 213, Part OO, section 20, which removed 26 the nonresident 10-consecutive-day registration, and Public Law 2009, chapter 226, 27 section 1, which maintained the nonresident 10-consecutive-day registration. The bill 28
- 29 corrects that conflict by removing the nonresident 10-consecutive-day registration.