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An Act To Promote Snowmobiling in Maine

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

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator TIMBERLAKE of Androscoggin.
Cosponsored by Representative NADEAU of Winslow and
Senators: BLACK of Franklin, DAVIS of Piscataquis, DILL of Penobscot, Representatives:
LANDRY of Farmington, MASON of Lisbon, ORDWAY of Standish.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§7, ¶E**, as enacted by PL 2017, c. 97, §1, is
3 amended to read:

4 E. The commissioner may annually establish one 3-consecutive-day period, 2 days
5 of which are weekend days, during which a nonresident may operate in the State a
6 snowmobile that is not registered in this State if the nonresident's snowmobile has a
7 valid registration from another state or a Canadian province and if the nonresident has
8 submitted notification under paragraph F.

9 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §13104, sub-§7, ¶F** is enacted to read:

10 F. The commissioner shall establish an online notification process to promote
11 seasonal nonresident snowmobile registration opportunities to nonresident
12 snowmobile operators and to promote general snowmobile recreational activities in
13 the State through regional state tourism organizations and a statewide organization
14 with an interest in snowmobiling. The process must allow a nonresident who plans to
15 operate in this State during the 3-consecutive-day period under paragraph E a
16 snowmobile that is not registered in this State to provide information to the
17 department using an electronic form accessible through the department's publicly
18 accessible website. The commissioner may not require a fee to submit the electronic
19 form. The electronic form must:

20 (1) Briefly describe the purpose of this process and clearly indicate that the
21 notification process is free;

22 (2) Request the nonresident snowmobile operator's name, address, telephone
23 number and e-mail address and the location or locations where the nonresident
24 plans to operate the snowmobile during the 3-consecutive-day period under
25 paragraph E; and

26 (3) Include a statement that by submitting the electronic form the person named
27 on the electronic form authorizes the commissioner to share the information on
28 the electronic form with the Department of Economic and Community
29 Development, Office of Tourism after the end of the 3-consecutive-day period
30 under paragraph E for purposes of promoting seasonal nonresident snowmobile
31 registration opportunities to nonresident snowmobile operators and promoting
32 general snowmobile recreational activities in the State through regional state
33 tourism organizations and a statewide organization with an interest in
34 snowmobiling.

35 The commissioner shall share the information collected on the electronic form under
36 this paragraph with the Department of Economic and Community Development,
37 Office of Tourism annually after the end of the 3-consecutive-day period under
38 paragraph E for purposes of promoting seasonal nonresident snowmobile registration
39 opportunities to nonresident snowmobile operators and promoting general
40 snowmobile recreational opportunities in the State through regional state tourism
41 organizations and a statewide organization with an interest in snowmobiling.

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The legislation takes effect on December 1, 2019.