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"DEMO" TRAIL FOR SNOWMOBILES

House Bill 5226

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**Committee: Conservation, Recreation &
Environment**

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5226 AS INTRODUCED 10-7-91

Public Act 74 of 1968, which regulates the use of snowmobiles, was amended in 1990 to allow snowmobilers, between December 1, 1990 and March 31, 1991, to operate snowmobiles on a "demonstration" trail located on a state-owned railroad right-of-way operated by the Detroit and Mackinac Railway Company between Gaylord and Frederic. The bill would amend the act to allow this trail to continue to be used by snowmobilers between December 1 and March 31 of each year until 1994. The location of fencing and signing along the trail would have to be included in written plans by the person constructing, operating and maintaining the trail and approved in writing by both the railroad owner and the owner of the railroad right-of-way (the state). Also, signing would have to conform to specifications issued by the Department of Natural Resources to those authorized to operate snowmobile trails.

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