HOUSE BILL No. 4183

February 7, 1991, Introduced by Rep. Alley and referred to the Committee on Conservation, Recreation and Environment.

A bill to amend section 14a of Act No. 74 of the Public Acts of 1968, entitled as amended

"An act to register and regulate snowmobiles; to provide for education and training programs; to provide for trails, areas, and facilities; to create a recreational snowmobile trail improvement fund; to provide for expenditure of appropriations; and to prescribe penalties,"

being section 257.1514a of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

- 1 Section 1. Section 14a of Act No. 74 of the Public Acts of
- 2 1968, being section 257.1514a of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
- 3 amended to read as follows:
- 4 Sec. 14a. (1) As used in this section, "commission" means
- 5 natural resources THE commission OF CONSERVATION AND
- 6 RECREATION.
- 7 (2) The commission may promulgate rules in accordance with
- 8 THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES ACT OF 1969, Act No. 306 of the

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- 1 Public Acts of 1969, as amended, being sections 24.201 to
- 2 -24.315 24.328 of the MICHIGAN Compiled Laws, of 1948, to
- 3 govern the operation and conduct of snowmobiles, speed limits,
- 4 the times when a snowmobile may be used and to establish and des-
- 5 ignate areas where snowmobiles may be used in a manner which will
- 6 insure compatible use and best protection of the safety and gen-
- 7 eral welfare of the public on the frozen surface of public
- 8 waters.
- 9 (3) The department of natural resources on its own initia-
- 10 tive, or upon receipt of a certified resolution of the governing
- 11 body of a political subdivision, may initiate investigations into
- 12 the need for special rules to govern the operation of snowmobiles
- 13 on the frozen surface of public waters. When controls for an
- 14 activity are deemed CONSIDERED necessary, or amendment or
- 15 repeal of an existing rule is required, the commission shall pre-
- 16 pare a rule for consideration at a public hearing. Notice of the
- 17 public hearing shall be made in a newspaper of general circula-
- 18 tion in the area where the rules are to be imposed, amended or
- 19 repealed, at least 10 days before the hearing.
- 20 (4) After a hearing is held pursuant to subsection (3) the
- 21 proposed rule shall be submitted to the governing body of the
- 22 political subdivision in which the affected frozen waters lie.
- 23 The governing body shall inform the department that it approves
- 24 or disapproves of the proposed rule within 30 days after receiv-
- 25 ing the rule from the department of natural resources. If the
- 26 governing body disapproves the proposed rule, further action
- 27 shall not be taken. If the governing body approves the proposed

- 1 rule, it may enact an ordinance which shall be identical to the
- 2 proposed rule and the commission shall promulgate the rule. An
- 3 ordinance enacted pursuant to this subsection shall not be effec-
- 4 tive until the proposed rule is promulgated and effective in
- 5 accordance with Act No. 306 of the Public Acts of 1969, as
- 6 amended.
- 7 (5) An ordinance which is the same as a rule which is sus-
- 8 pended by the legislature, or amended or repealed by the commis-
- 9 sion, shall likewise be suspended, amended or repealed. The gov-
- 10 erning body, by majority vote, may repeal the ordinance at any
- 11 time.
- 12 (6) Local law enforcement officers may enforce ordinances
- 13 enacted pursuant to this section and state and county enforcement
- 14 officers shall enforce rules which are promulgated pursuant to
- 15 this section.
- 16 Section 2. This amendatory act shall not take effect unless
- 17 all of the following bills of the 86th Legislature are enacted
- 18 into law:
- (a) Senate Bill No. ____ or House Bill No. 4177 (request
- 20 no. 00827'91).
- 21 (b) Senate Bill No. or House Bill No. 4173 (request
- 22 no. 00827'91 a).