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INCREASE SNOWMOBILE PERMIT FEES

House Bill 4409

Sponsor: Rep. David Mead

Committee: Conservation and Outdoor

Recreation

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4409 AS INTRODUCED 3-6-01

Under the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), a person who wants to operate a snowmobile in the state must register the snowmobile, and, in addition, purchase a \$10 annual Michigan snowmobile trail permit sticker. Fifty cents of the fee is retained by the Department of Natural Resources for administrative costs; fifty cents is retained by the agent who sells the permit; and \$9 is credited to the Recreational Snowmobile Trail Improvement Fund. The bill would amend the act to increase permit fees and change the allocation. The fees would be:

- \$10.00 until October 1, 2001;
- \$20.00 beginning October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2004; and
- \$25.00 beginning October 1, 2004.

In addition, beginning October 1, 2001, revenue from the trail permit fee would be allocated as follows: \$1.00 would be retained by the agent who sold the permit: fifty cents would be retained by the DNR for administrative costs; and \$18.50 would be credited to the Recreational Snowmobile Trail Improvement Fund. Beginning October 1, 2003, fifty cents would be retained by the DNR; \$1.00 would be retained by the agent selling the permit; and \$23.50 would be allocated to the Recreational Snowmobile Trail Improvement Fund.

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