

HOUSE No.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Anne M. Gobi

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act establishing a snow vehicle land stamp program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:
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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A SNOW VEHICLE LAND STAMP PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 22 of Chapter 90B of the General Laws, is hereby amended by inserting at the end
2 of the third paragraph the following:

3 “Provided, however, that one dollar from the sale of each registration shall be credited to the snow vehicle
4 trail land acquisition account established in section 22A.”

5 SECTION 2. Said Chapter 90B is hereby further amended by inserting after section 22, the following
6 section:

7 Section 22A. There is hereby established with the Department of Conservation and Recreation, a snow
8 vehicle trail land acquisition account which shall be credited monies received from the sale of snow
9 vehicle stamps, the portion of the snow vehicle registration fee to be credited under the provisions of
10 section 22, contributions thereto and any grant monies from the federal government or other public and
11 private sources.

12 Said account, subject to appropriation, shall be used only for the purchase of land to be designated for
13 snow vehicle trail purposes or for the purchase of snow vehicle recreational trail easements and for the
14 costs directly related to the administration of the snow vehicle trail land stamp program.

15 The director may contract with the seller of land for installment payments provided that the total of all
16 such installment payments does not exceed seventy-five percent of the previous year’s income to the snow
17 vehicle trail land acquisition account. Acquisition of all snow vehicle trail land so purchased or snow

18 vehicle recreational trail easements so purchased shall be made with by DCR with the advice and consent
19 of the Snowmobile Association of Massachusetts.

20 SECTION 3. Said Chapter 90B is hereby further amended by inserting after section 21, the following
21 section:

22 Section 21A. Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall operate a snow vehicle in the
23 commonwealth without first having obtained a snow vehicle trail land acquisition stamp, which shall be
24 issued by the director or his duly authorized agent upon the payment of five dollars per year; provided,
25 however, that persons who are exempted from snow vehicle registration requirement need not purchase
26 such a stamp; provided, further, that persons issued a registration without charge shall be issued said
27 stamp without charge; and provided, further, that no person who has purchased a stamp with any current
28 registration shall be required to pay the fee for a trail land stamp for any additional registrations or
29 duplicate registrations. The director is hereby authorized to issue stamps in such form as he may prescribe
30 and may issue rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of this section.