

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
03/27/2015

Amendment to: SB 2164

- 1 A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				\$214,000		\$214,000
Expenditures				\$120,000		\$195,000
Appropriations				\$120,000		

- 1 B. **County, city, school district and township fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

- 2 A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill will increase the registration fees for snowmobiles and the amount of state gas tax transferred into the state snowmobile fund.

- B. **Fiscal impact sections:** *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

This bill will increase revenues into the State Snowmobile Fund.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

- A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

At an average rate of 15,500 licensed resident snowmobiles and 400 non-residents per biennium there will be an estimated additional \$214,000 deposited into the State Snowmobile Fund. These funds will be used to defray expenses incurred for maintenance and management of the State Snowmobile Trail System.

- B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Operating costs for the State Snowmobile Trail System have increased 47% over the last 10 years, therefore the increased revenue will be used to defray these expenses. Projected 1st biennium expenses of \$120,000 with estimated \$75,000 per biennium increase after that. These can only be estimates given the unpredictable nature of snow and the compounding expense rates when the trails are open. The program has seen nearly \$100,000 fluctuations from biennium to biennium driven by snow conditions. Federal grants used to purchase trail grooming equipment are uncertain and Snowmobile North Dakota may look to the State Snowmobile Fund for those purchases.

- C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The executive budget includes \$120,000 additional spending authority in the State Snowmobile Fund.

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