Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015

SENATE BILL NO. 2164 (Senators Larsen, Davison, Hogue) (Representative Seibel)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 39-24-03, subsection 3 of section 39-24-04, and section 39-24-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to snowmobile fees and the state snowmobile fund.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 2 of section 39-24-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

2. Upon receipt of the application and the appropriate fee, the department shall register a snowmobile and assign a registration number and a certificate of registration. The registration number must be at least one and one-half inches [3.81 centimeters] in height and of a reflectorized material and must be securely affixed on each side of the snowmobile in a position as to provide clear legibility for identification. The certificate of registration must include information regarding the make, year, serial number, and name and address of the owner. The fee for registration of each snowmobile must be five dollars for any portion of the registration period and the registration period is for two years beginning October first of each odd-numbered year. The fee for a duplicate or replacement registration number or registration card which is lost, mutilated, or becomes illegible may not exceed five dollars. In addition, in each year that fees are collected for the unsatisfied judgment fund there must be assessed a fee of one dollar per year for each snowmobile registered, which must be placed in the unsatisfied judgment fund. For each snowmobile registered under the provisions of this chapter, there must be assessed a snowmobile trail tax in the amount of thirty-five forty-five dollars.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Subsection 3 of section 39-24-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

3. If a snowmobile is exempt from registration under subdivision b or c of subsection 2, the owner is required to purchase an out-of-state public trails and lands access permit received upon payment of a <u>fifteentwenty-five</u> dollar per year fee. The permit must be in the operator's possession when that individual is operating the snowmobile within the state. Dealers or other agents authorized by the director of the parks and recreation department who sell out-of-state public trails and lands access permits may retain one dollar of the <u>fifteentwenty-five</u> dollar per year fee and the remainder of the fees collected under this subsection must be deposited in the state snowmobile fund.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 39-24-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

39-24-05. Disposition of registration fees and trail tax - Transfer from highway tax distribution fund.

Fees from registration of snowmobiles must be deposited with the state treasurer and credited to the highway tax distribution fund. The snowmobile trail tax must be deposited in a state snowmobile fund in the state treasury. Additionally, an amount equal to the tax collected on thirtyforty gallons [1413.56151.42 liters] of motor vehicle fuel multiplied by the number of collector snowmobiles and snowmobiles registered under this chapter must be transferred annually from the highway tax distribution fund, before allocation of the fund under section 54-27-19, and credited to the state

snowmobile fund. The parks and recreation department may, upon appropriation by the legislative assembly, expend from such fund moneys it deems necessary for purposes of administering snowmobile safety programs and establishing and maintaining snowmobile facilities and programs.

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