

HOUSE No. 01993

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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Anne M. Gobi

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5th Worcester

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Stephen Kulik

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1st Franklin

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By Ms. Gobi of Spencer, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1993) of Kulik and Gobi establishing a snow vehicle trail land acquisition fund within the Department of Conservation and Recreation Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 741 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

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
2 the end of the third paragraph the following:

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

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

7 Section 22A. There is hereby established with the Department of Conservation and Recreation, a
8 snow vehicle trail land acquisition account which shall be credited monies received from the sale

9 of snow vehicle stamps, the portion of the snow vehicle registration fee to be credited under the
10 provisions of section 22, contributions thereto and any grant monies from the federal government
11 or other public and private sources.

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

16 The director may contract with the seller of land for installment payments provided that the total
17 of all such installment payments does not exceed seventy-five percent of the previous year's
18 income to the snow vehicle trail land acquisition account. Acquisition of all snow vehicle trail
19 land so purchased or snow vehicle recreational trail easements so purchased shall be made with
20 by DCR with the advice and consent of the Snowmobile Association of Massachusetts.

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

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

31 authorized to issue stamps in such form as he may prescribe and may issue rules and regulations

32 necessary for the implementation of this section.