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Overview

Contains a number of different provisions relating to state trails, including:

- Removes state registration requirement and state trail sticker fee for a snowmobile used to groom a state or grant-in-aid trail (sections 3-4).
- Requires the commissioner of natural resources to establish a program, using volunteer off-highway vehicle clubs, to promote the safe and responsible operation of off-highway vehicles in a legal and environmentally-safe manner (section 5).
- Allows off-trail snowmobile use in state forests classified as closed, unless prohibited by the DNR (section 6).
- Clarifies state trail statutes so that the Willard Munger Trail system consists of six separate segments, and repeals the outdated subdivision for this purpose (sections 8 and 10).
- Allows a 2006 existing appropriation for public access dollars to be used at Horseshoe Bay in Cook County and on Dower Lake in Todd County (section 9).