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Overview

This bill contains a number of provisions related to all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), including the establishment of a donation opportunity for the ATV grant-in-aid trails program and a no registration weekend, and modifications to operating provisions. It also includes provisions allowing for donations to other grant-in-aid trail and other trail programs.

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- 1 Grant-in-aid donations.** Adds § 84.788, subd. 13. Requires that a person registering an off-highway motorcycle (OHM) be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the OHM grant-in-aid trails program. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the OHM account and dedicated for the grant-in-aid trail program.
- 2 Registration revenue.** Amends § 84.794, subd. 1. Technical.
- 3 Grant-in-aid trail donations.** Adds § 84.798, subd. 11. Requires that a person registering an off-road vehicle (ORV) be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the ORV grant-in-aid trails program. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the ORV account and dedicated for the grant-in-aid trail program.
- 4 Registration revenue.** Amends § 84.803, subd. 1. Technical.

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- 5** **Grant-in-aid trail donations.** Adds § 84.798, subd. 11. Requires that a person registering a snowmobile be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the snowmobile grant-in-aid trails program. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the snowmobile trails and enforcement account and dedicated for the grant-in-aid trail program.
- 6** **Money deposited in the account.** Amends § 84.83, subd. 2. Technical.
- 7** **Grant-in-aid trail contributions.** Adds § 84.922, subd. 13. Requires that a person registering an ATV be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the ATV grant-in-aid trails program. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the ATV account and dedicated for the grant-in-aid trail program.
- 8** **No registration weekend.** Adds § 84.922, subd. 14. Requires the commissioner to designate one weekend each year when unregistered ATVs and nonresident ATVs without a state trail pass may be operated on state and grant-in-aid ATV trails.
- 9** **Prohibitions on youthful operators.** Amends § 84.9256, subd. 1. Increases the eligible age to receive an ATV safety certificate to 18 (from 16). Exempts those 12 to 15 from requirements to have a driver's license in order to operate an ATV on the bank, slope, or ditch of a public road right-of-way if they have a valid ATV safety certificate and are accompanied by a parent or legal guardian on a separate ATV.
- 10** **Operation on roads and right-of-ways.** Amends § 84.928, subd. 1. Provides an exemption from ATV restrictions to allow a person to operate a class 2 ATV on the bank, slope, or ditch of a public road right-of-way of a trunk highway in order to access a business or make a trail connection and allows left hand turns from any part of the road if it safe. Allows a road authority or the commissioner (under certain circumstances) to restrict this activity using existing authorities.
- 11** **Grant-in-aid trail donations.** Adds § 85.41, subd. 6. Requires that a person purchasing a cross-country ski pass be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the cross-country ski trails grant-in-aid program. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the cross-country ski account and dedicated for the grant-in-aid trail program.
- 12** **Disposition of receipts; purpose.** Amends § 85.43. Technical.
- 13** **Disposition of receipts.** Amends § 85.46, subd. 6. Technical.

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- 14** **Trail donations.** Requires that a person purchasing a horse pass be offered the opportunity to make a voluntary contribution to the horse pass account. Requires the commissioner of natural resources to issue someone a recognition sticker if they contribute \$20 or more. Requires contributions made to be credited to the horse pass account which can only be used for trail acquisition, trail and facility development, maintenance, enforcement, and rehabilitation of horse trails.