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Snowmobile Supplemental Trail Aids (DNR -- Fish, Wildlife, and Recreation)

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CURRENT LAW

DNR provides aids to counties and snowmobile clubs for snowmobile trail development and maintenance. In addition, DNR may provide supplemental trail aids if eligible costs exceed maximum (basic) trail aids (\$250). Supplemental trail aids are funded from the 40% multiplier to the snowmobile fuel tax transfer formula. Further, \$15 from each \$35 non-resident trail pass sold in the prior year is deposited in a supplemental trail aids appropriation. Remaining revenues (minus an issuing fee) are deposited to the general balance of the snowmobile account. Base funding from trail passes for supplemental trail aids is \$375,000 annually.

GOVERNOR

Increase the amount transferred for supplemental trail aids from each non-resident snowmobile trail pass sold in the prior year from \$15 to \$32.

MODIFICATION

Reestimate the supplemental trail aids appropriation [20.370(5)(cw)] to total \$784,000 SEG in 2011-12 and \$800,000 SEG in 2012-13 (\$32 x 24,500 trail passes and \$32 x 25,000 trail passes) to reflect the expected increase in the non-resident trail pass revenue transferred for supplemental trail aids. In addition, specify that the change would become effective beginning with the fiscal year 2011-12 transfer.

	Change to Bill Funding
SEG	\$834,000

Explanation: While the bill would be expected to increase the amount transferred for supplemental trail aids by \$409,000 in 2011-12 and \$425,000 in 2012-13, the bill does not reflect this. Further, the Administration indicates 2011-12 was the intended effective fiscal year, rather than 2001-02.

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