

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0032

Snowmobile permit and registration fees.

Sponsored by: Joint Travel, Recreation, Wildlife and
Cultural Resources Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to snowmobiles; increasing registration and
2 user fees; eliminating user fees for resident snowmobiles;
3 repealing requirement to show proof of sales tax paid;
4 repealing requirements for specified language on decals;
5 providing for disposition of fees for replacement
6 certificates and decals; providing definitions; and
7 providing for an effective date.

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9 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 31-2-401(a) by creating new
12 paragraphs (iii) and (iv) and by renumbering (iii) as (v),
13 31-2-402(b), (d) and by creating a new subsection (e),
14 31-2-403, 31-2-404(a), (c)(intro), (i) and (ii),
15 31-2-405(a), 31-2-406, 31-2-408(a)(iii) and (b) and

1 31-2-409(a)(intro), (ii), (b)(intro), (ii), (d)(ii), (e)
2 and (f) are amended to read:

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4 **31-2-401. Definitions.**

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6 (a) For purposes of this act:

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8 (iii) "Nonresident snowmobile" means any
9 snowmobile that is not a resident snowmobile;

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11 (iv) "Resident snowmobile" means any snowmobile:

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13 (A) Titled in Wyoming;

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15 (B) Owned by a Wyoming resident; or

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17 (C) Which is used or kept in Wyoming for
18 more than thirty (30) consecutive days.

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20 ~~(iii)~~ (v) "This act" means W.S. 31-2-401 through
21 31-2-409.

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23 **31-2-402. Registration selling agents; application**
24 **for registration.**

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2 (b) The department of state parks and cultural
3 resources through the division of state parks and historic
4 sites shall in accordance with W.S. 36-4-123, appoint
5 selling agents to sell snowmobile registrations and user
6 fees. Each selling agent shall retain one dollar (\$1.00)
7 for each nonresident user fee sold under W.S.
8 31-2-409(a)(ii) or for each resident snowmobile
9 registration sold under W.S. 31-2-404(a)(i). Designated
10 department employees may sell snowmobile registrations and
11 user fees, but no employee shall receive any commission on
12 registrations or user fees collected.

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14 (d) Except as hereafter provided, every person who
15 owns or uses a resident snowmobile which will be operated
16 within the state of Wyoming shall, for each snowmobile so
17 owned or used file or cause to be filed each year beginning
18 July 1, with any designated ~~registration~~ selling agent, an
19 application for registration of the snowmobile which shall
20 be in writing in duplicate. The application shall state
21 the name and address of the owner and the name of the
22 applicant and describe the snowmobile, including make,
23 model, and any identifying serial numbers located on the
24 snowmobile. ~~and whether the snowmobile will be operated for~~

~~private or commercial use. At the time of application, the applicant shall also present proof in a form approved by the department of revenue that all sales or use tax due on the snowmobile have been paid. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent statement of proof is subject to the provisions of W.S. 6-5-303, in addition to any penalties and interest due for nonpayment of sales or use tax on the snowmobile.~~

(e) Every person who owns or uses a nonresident snowmobile which will be operated within this state shall, for each snowmobile so owned or used, file or cause to be filed with a designated selling agent each year prior to the operation within the state, an application under W.S. 31-2-409 which states the name and mailing address of the owner of the snowmobile and the name of the applicant.

31-2-403. Required registration fee.

The owner of a resident snowmobile which will be operated within the state of Wyoming shall, upon the filing of an application, pay to the ~~registration~~ selling agent, in cash, money order, certified check or bank draft, a registration fee as provided by W.S. 31-2-404.

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2 31-2-404. Amount of fee; ad valorem tax exemption;
3 disposition of fees; duties of department of state parks
4 and cultural resources.

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6 (a) Except as provided in W.S. 31-2-408, the annual
7 registration fee for a resident snowmobile is:

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9 (i) For a snowmobile intended for private use
10 ~~\$5.00~~ 35.00 until June 30, 2016 and \$40.00 thereafter;

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12 (ii) For a commercial snowmobile ~~\$75.00~~ 105.00
13 until June 30, 2016 and \$120.00 thereafter.

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15 (c) The ~~registration~~ selling agent shall forward to
16 the department of state parks and cultural resources the
17 original copy of the registration application together
18 with:

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20 (i) ~~Four dollars (\$4.00) of each~~ The
21 registration fee as provided for in paragraph (a)(i) of
22 this section minus one dollar (\$1.00);

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1 (ii) ~~Seventy-four dollars (\$74.00) of each~~ The
2 registration fee as provided in paragraph (a)(ii) of this
3 section minus one dollar (\$1.00);

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5 **31-2-405. Payment of fees; issuance of certificate**
6 **and decal; trespass warning printed on decal.**

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8 (a) Resident snowmobile registration fees shall be
9 paid before the expiration of sixteen (16) days after
10 acquiring ownership of a snowmobile which will be operated
11 within the state of Wyoming. Upon receipt of the
12 registration fee the ~~registration~~-selling agent shall issue
13 to the owner for each snowmobile a certificate of
14 registration, setting forth the facts in the application,
15 together with a numbered decal which shall bear a
16 distinctive number assigned to the snowmobile and the date
17 of expiration, which decal shall at all times be
18 prominently displayed on the snowmobile.

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20 **31-2-406. Lost, mutilated or destroyed certificate or**
21 **decal.**

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23 In the event of loss, mutilation or destruction of any
24 ~~registration~~-resident or nonresident snowmobile certificate

1 issued pursuant to this act, or numbered decal, the owner
2 of a snowmobile may obtain a duplicate ~~registration~~
3 certificate or a new numbered decal from any ~~registration~~
4 selling agent or any authorized department of state parks
5 and cultural resources employee upon filing an affidavit
6 showing the loss, mutilation or destruction of the original
7 ~~registration~~-certificate or numbered decal and paying a fee
8 of ~~one dollar (\$1.00)~~ twenty dollars (\$20.00). The
9 ~~registration~~-selling agent shall forward to the division of
10 parks and historic sites within the department ~~fifty cents~~
11 ~~(\$.50)~~ nineteen dollars (\$19.00) of each duplicate
12 ~~registration~~-certificate fee to be deposited to the general
13 fund. It is unlawful for any person to willfully alter or
14 mutilate any ~~registration~~-certificate or numbered decal.

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16 **31-2-408. Exemptions.**

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18 (a) The following snowmobiles are exempt from W.S.
19 31-2-401 through 31-2-407:

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21 (iii) Nonresident snowmobiles, ~~owned by out-of-~~
22 ~~state residents if a valid registration sticker from the~~
23 ~~owner's state of residence is affixed to those snowmobiles~~
24 ~~or if the owner can demonstrate other proof of valid~~

1 ~~registration in his state of residence~~ except to the extent
2 a nonresident snowmobile meets the qualifications and
3 requirements set forth in W.S. 31-2-402(e).

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5 (b) This section does not exempt snowmobiles which
6 are leased or rented for hire as commercial snowmobiles as
7 defined under W.S. 31-2-401(a)(i).

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9 31-2-409. Snowmobile user fee; amount of fee;
10 disposition of fees; account created; duties of department
11 of state parks and cultural resources; duration of decal;
12 exemptions.

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14 (a) ~~In addition to the registration fees required~~
15 ~~under W.S. 31-2-403,~~ There shall be collected by
16 ~~registration~~ selling agents an annual nonresident
17 snowmobile user fee for nonresident snowmobiles operated in
18 Wyoming as follows:

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20 (ii) For any ~~other~~ nonresident snowmobile not
21 exempt under subsection (f) of this section ~~\$25.00~~ 35.00
22 until June 30, 2016 and \$40.00 thereafter.

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1 (b) The ~~registration~~-selling agent shall forward to
2 the department of state parks and cultural resources the
3 original copy of the snowmobile user fee form together
4 with:

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6 (ii) ~~Twenty four dollars (\$24.00) of each~~ The
7 snowmobile user fee as provided in paragraph (a)(ii) of
8 this section minus one dollar (\$1.00);
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10 (d) The department of state parks and cultural
11 resources shall:

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13 (ii) Furnish a sufficient quantity of numbered
14 decals and necessary forms to each ~~registration~~-selling
15 agent;

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17 (e) The annual nonresident snowmobile user fee
18 numbered decal shall be valid from July 1 of the year
19 designated until June 30 of the following year, with the
20 date of expiration prominently displayed on the decal.
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22 (f) ~~Snowmobiles for which registration fees have been~~
23 ~~paid under W.S. 31-2-404(a)(ii) and snowmobiles exempt~~
24 ~~under W.S. 31-2-408(a)(i) and (ii) are exempt from the~~

~~provisions of this section.~~ The nonresident snowmobile user fee prescribed by paragraph (a)(ii) of this section may be waived on an annual basis by the director of the department of state parks and cultural resources in an area designated by the department through a cooperative agreement whereby other governmental agencies agree to contribute to the snowmobile trail maintenance and grooming for that area.

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9 **Section 2.** W.S. 31-2-405(b), 31-2-409(a)(i) and
10 (b)(i) are repealed.

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12 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2014.

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14 (END)