



FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

**WAYS AND MEANS**

**SB 505-FN**, repealing the fee for temporary registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Cindy Rosenwald for the committee.

This bill eliminates the 10-day temporary registration for nonresident OHRVs. The temporary registration was put in place to entice out-of-state riders to come to NH to ride on our trails, and while it was successful in doing so, it is no longer working well. Nonresidents are able to purchase as many as they'd like and can get two temporary registrations for less than the cost of one regular registration. The number of dealers offering them is declining, which makes them frustrating to find and sell. Financially, it is difficult to estimate how many people will purchase them from year to year, resulting in wasted money spent on decals that don't get used. The funds from the temporary registrations do not go toward trail maintenance. The bill also removes the \$25,000 cap on law enforcement grants that are used to partner with local law enforcement to help keep the trails safe. The committee amendment addresses an issue regarding the registration of guides, ensuring that the applications are made to the chief of the Fish and Game Law Enforcement Division and changes the effective date of the bill.