

SB 505-FN - AS INTRODUCED

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SENATE BILL ***505-FN***

AN ACT repealing the fee for temporary registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.

SPONSORS: Sen. Rochefort, Dist 1; Sen. Lang, Dist 2; Sen. McConkey, Dist 3; Sen. Pearl, Dist 17; Rep. A. Davis, Coos 2; Rep. Ouellet, Coos 3

COMMITTEE: Ways and Means

ANALYSIS

This bill repeals the fee for temporary registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty-Six

AN ACT repealing the fee for temporary registration of nonresidents relative to OHRVs.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

- 1 1 Repeal. The following are repealed:
- 2 I. RSA 215-A:23, V-b, relative to temporary registration fees for OHRVs for nonresidents.
- 3 II. RSA 215-A:23, VIII-a, relative to enhancements for enforcement of and compliance with
- 4 certain OHRV laws.
- 5 2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect May 1, 2027.

**SB 505-FN- FISCAL NOTE
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FISCAL IMPACT:

Estimated State Impact				
	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Revenue	\$0	\$0	<u>Fish and Game</u> Up to \$66,880 Increase Per Year <u>DNCR</u> Up to \$144,320 Increase Per Year	
<i>Revenue Fund(s)</i>	Restricted Fish and Game Department and Department of Natural and Cultural Resources Revenue			
Expenditures*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	None			
Appropriations*	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Funding Source(s)</i>	None			

*Expenditure = Cost of bill

*Appropriation = Authorized funding to cover cost of bill

METHODOLOGY:

This bill, effective May 1, 2027, repeals the temporary registration for non-resident off-highway recreation vehicles (OHRVs). The Fish and Game Department assumes the intent is to charge the regular non-resident registration fee for all non-residents, regardless of their intended duration of registration. The temporary non-resident registration fee is \$34, and the current regular non-resident registration fee is \$61/\$70 to \$91/\$100, for two-wheel trail bike/all other OHRV, depending on whether the registrant is a member of an organized NH nonprofit OHRV club. Fee revenue is distributed as follows:

	Temporary Registration	Full Registration
Total Fee	\$34	\$91/\$100 or \$61/\$70
DNCR Grant-in-Aid	\$14	\$43/\$52 or \$13/\$22
DNCR Admin	\$10	\$17.10
Fish & Game	\$10	\$30.90

It is unknown how many individuals with temporary registrations may choose to purchase full registrations after the passage of this bill (~3,200 registrations). To this extent, this bill could

increase revenue to the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources (DNCR) up to approximately \$144,320 per year (\$121,600 for Grant-in-Aid and \$22,720 for admin), and up to approximately \$66,880 to the Fish and Game Department. It is assumed that any impact would begin in FY 2028.

This bill also repeals the discretionary use of up to \$25,000 of funds appropriated to the Fish and Game Department in each biennium to collaborate with local law enforcement agencies to enhance enforcement and compliance with OHRV laws in areas of the state where riding on public ways is permitted. This is not expected to result in an impact to the revenue being transferred from the registration fees nor affect the Department's ability to perform such collaboration efforts.

AGENCIES CONTACTED:

Fish and Game Department