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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2272

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend Senate Bill 2272 by replacing  
3 everything after the enacting clause with the following:

4 "Section 5. The Recreational Trails of Illinois Act is  
5 amended by changing Section 15 as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 862/15)

7 Sec. 15. Off-Highway Vehicle Trails Fund.

8 (a) The Off-Highway Vehicle Trails Fund is created as a  
9 special fund in the State treasury. Money from federal, State,  
10 and private sources may be deposited into the Fund. Fines  
11 assessed by the Department of Natural Resources for citations  
12 issued to off-highway vehicle operators shall be deposited into  
13 the Fund. All interest accrued on the Fund shall be deposited  
14 into the Fund.

15 (b) All money in the Fund shall be used, subject to  
16 appropriation, by the Department for the following purposes:

17 (1) Grants for construction of off-highway vehicle  
18 recreational trails on county, municipal, other units of  
19 local government, or private lands where a recreational  
20 need for the construction is shown.

21 (2) Grants for maintenance and construction of  
22 off-highway vehicle recreational trails on federal lands,  
23 where permitted by law.

24 (3) Grants for development of off-highway vehicle

1 trail-side facilities in accordance with criteria approved  
2 by the National Recreational Trails Advisory Committee.

3 (4) Grants for acquisition of property from willing  
4 sellers for off-highway vehicle recreational trails when  
5 the objective of a trail cannot be accomplished by other  
6 means.

7 (5) Grants for development of urban off-highway  
8 vehicle trail linkages near homes and workplaces.

9 (6) Grants for maintenance of existing off-highway  
10 vehicle recreational trails, including the grooming and  
11 maintenance of trails across snow.

12 (7) Grants for restoration of areas damaged by usage of  
13 off-highway vehicle recreational trails and back country  
14 terrain.

15 (8) Grants for provision of features that facilitate  
16 the access and use of off-highway vehicle trails by persons  
17 with disabilities.

18 (9) Grants for acquisition of easements for  
19 off-highway vehicle trails or for trail corridors.

20 (10) Grants for a rider education and safety program.

21 (11) Administration, enforcement, planning, and  
22 implementation of this Act and Sections 11-1426 and 11-1427  
23 of the Illinois Vehicle Code.

24 Of the money used from the Fund for the purposes set forth  
25 in this subsection, at least 60% shall be allocated for  
26 motorized recreation. The Department shall establish, by rule,  
27 measures to verify that recipients of money from the Fund  
28 comply with the specified conditions for the use of the money.

29 (c) The Department may not use the money from the Fund for  
30 the following purposes:

31 (1) Condemnation of any kind of interest in property.

32 (2) Construction of any recreational trail on National  
33 Forest System land for motorized uses unless those lands  
34 have been allocated for uses other than wilderness by an

1 approved forest land and resource management plan or have  
2 been released to uses other than wilderness by an Act of  
3 Congress, and the construction is otherwise consistent  
4 with the management direction in the approved land and  
5 resource management plan.

6 (3) Construction of motorized recreational trails on  
7 Department owned or managed land designated as a nature  
8 preserve as defined in Section 3.11 of the Illinois Natural  
9 Areas Preservation Act or contained in the report as  
10 submitted pursuant to Section 6.06 of the Illinois Natural  
11 Areas Preservation Act.

12 (d) The Department shall establish a program to administer  
13 grants from the Fund to units of local government,  
14 not-for-profit organizations, and other groups to operate,  
15 maintain, and acquire land for off-highway vehicle parks that  
16 are open and accessible to the public .

17 (Source: P.A. 90-287, eff. 1-1-98.)

18 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
19 becoming law.".