
OREGON'S SNOWMOBILING FAMILIES REQUEST A REGISTRATION FEE INCREASE FROM \$10 TO \$30

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Chair Bowman and Members of the Committee:

The Oregon State Snowmobile Association (OSSA) is a non-profit organization formed in 1972 by a small group of snowmobilers working to find a way to provide a groomed statewide trail system and to assure continued access to our public lands. We are currently an organization with twenty-five member clubs across the state, and a trail system of 6,410 miles of multi-use snowmobile trails. We promote safe and responsible snowmobiling, represent snowmobilers as an organized group and promote proper recreational use of our land by working together with the Forest Service, BLM and other land managers to develop and maintain a quality trail system and winter recreation opportunities. Our mission, briefly stated, is to protect, promote and enhance the family sport of snowmobiling.

Currently, snowmobiles pay ODOT \$10 for a two year registration. Of that \$10, DMV keeps \$6.27 to process the transaction, and sends \$3.73 to the snowmobile fund.

Just before Memorial Day, ODOT notified OSSA that starting in the new biennium, they will be increasing the processing fee from \$6.27 per \$10 transaction to \$14 per \$10 transaction. (That is not a typo). They are planning to charge \$14 to process a \$10 transaction.

The processing fee is not in statute and can be changed by ODOT as needed.

OSSA is requesting an amendment to HB3402 to increase the two-year snowmobile registration fee from \$10 to \$30. This will give DMV the \$14 they require, and provide increased funding to the snowmobile fund.

We are unaware of any opposition to the fee increase.

Please amend House Bill 3402 to include a two-year snowmobile registration increase from \$10 to \$30. I am happy to answer any questions. Thank you.