

# SENATE BILL REPORT

## HB 1403

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As Reported By Senate Committee On:  
Transportation, February 26, 2008

**Title:** An act relating to snowmobile registration.

**Brief Description:** Modifying snowmobile registration requirements.

**Sponsors:** Representatives O'Brien, Hinkle, Condotta, Fromhold, Ahern, McCune and Warnick.

**Brief History:** Passed House: 2/28/07, 97-0.

**Committee Activity:** Transportation: 3/20/07, 3/21/07 [DPA, w/oRec]; 2/21/08, 2/26/08 [DPA].

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### SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

**Majority Report:** Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Haugen, Chair; Marr, Vice Chair; Swecker, Ranking Minority Member; Berkey, Delvin, Eide, Holmquist, Jacobsen, Kastama, Kauffman, Kilmer, King, Pflug, Sheldon and Spanel.

**Staff:** Janice Baumgardt (786-7319)

**Background:** Snowmobiles must be registered with the Department of Licensing (DOL) if owned, transported, or operated in Washington State (unless exempted elsewhere in law, e.g, snowmobiles owned or operated by a government, or snowmobiles owned by residents of certain states or Canadian provinces operating temporarily in Washington State).

**Summary of Bill:** The bill as referred to committee was not considered.

**SUMMARY OF BILL (Recommended Amendments):** Snowmobiles must be registered with DOL only if operated in Washington State. A person who owns or transports a snowmobile in Washington, but does not operate it, is not required to register the snowmobile.

Contradictory language regarding fee setting is removed.

**Appropriation:** None.

**Fiscal Note:** Not requested.

**Committee/Commission/Task Force Created:** No.

**Effective Date:** Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

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**Staff Summary of Public Testimony on Recommended Amendments:** PRO: We agree with the striking amendment and support it 100 percent.

**Persons Testifying:** PRO: Mark Gjurasic, Stephen Alldridge, Washington State Snowmobile Association.