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An Act to Prohibit Off-trail Operation of a Snowmobile in an Area Closed to Off-trail Operation

Reference to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Wildlife suggested and ordered printed.

DAREK M. GRANT Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BLACK of Franklin. Cosponsored by Representative LANDRY of Farmington and Representatives: MASON of Lisbon, WOOD of Greene.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2	Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13106-A, sub-§27 is enacted to read:
3 4 5	27. Operating snowmobile in posted area. A person may not operate a snowmobile off a snowmobile trail in an area that is posted as being closed to off-trail snowmobile operation.
6 7	A. A person who violates this subsection commits a civil violation for which a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 may be adjudged.
8 9 10	B. A person who violates this subsection after having been adjudicated as having committed 3 or more civil violations under this Part within the previous 5-year period commits a Class E crime.
11	SUMMARY
12 13 14 15 16	This bill prohibits a person from operating a snowmobile off a snowmobile trail in an area that is posted as being closed to off-trail snowmobile operation. It provides for a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 for the first violation of the prohibition and that a violation after 3 or more civil violations of the inland fisheries and wildlife laws is a Class E crime.