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**An Act To Allow Nonprofit Organizations To Operate Snowmobiles  
as Trail-grooming Equipment**

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Reference to the Committee on Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative LONG of Sherman.  
Cosponsored by Senator PLUMMER of Cumberland and  
Representatives: AYOTTE of Caswell, CRAY of Palmyra, FREDETTE of Newport,  
GIFFORD of Lincoln, THERIAULT of Madawaska, TIMBERLAKE of Turner, WOOD of  
Sabattus, Senator: MASON of Androscoggin.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §13113, sub-§1, ¶¶A and B**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 93,  
3 §3, are repealed.

4 **Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §13113, sub-§1, ¶D**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 93, §3, is  
5 amended to read:

6 D. Is performing ~~winter~~ snowmobile trail maintenance by plowing, leveling or  
7 compacting snow by use of a front plow or rear attachments that include but are not  
8 limited to rollers, compactor bars or trail drags.

9 **Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §13113, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 93, §3 and amended  
10 by PL 2011, c. 657, Pt. W, §§5 and 7, is further amended to read:

11 **3. Application and issuance.** The commissioner may register trail-grooming  
12 equipment upon application by the owner if the owner is ~~an~~ a nonprofit organization that  
13 has an approved contract for snowmobile trail grooming with the Department of  
14 Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry, Division of Parks and Public Lands, Off-Road  
15 Vehicle Division or a person that can provide proof to the department at the time of  
16 application that the person is a member of an organization eligible to register trail-  
17 grooming equipment under this section. The commissioner may establish procedures  
18 necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill amends the definition of "trail-grooming equipment" in the laws governing  
21 snowmobile trails and allows a snowmobile that is owned by a nonprofit organization and  
22 used to groom snowmobile trails to be registered as trail-grooming equipment.