SENATE BILL NO. 250

INTRODUCED BY BECK, CAMPBELL

BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

IN THE SENATE

JANUARY 26, 1989

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FISH & GAME.

FIRST READING.

PRINTING REPORT.

FEBRUARY 15, 1989 COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.

FEBRUARY 16, 1989

FEBRUARY 20, 1989

FEBRUARY 19, 1989

MARCH 15, 1989

MARCH 18, 1989

MARCH 20, 1989

FEBRUARY 17, 1989 SECOND READING, DO PASS.

FEBRUARY 18, 1989 ENGROSSING REPORT.

THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 49; NOES, 0.

TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

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INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON FISH & GAME.

FEBRUARY 21, 1989 FIRST READING.

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.

SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 96; NOES, 0.

RETURNED TO SENATE.

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MARCH 21, 1989

RECEIVED FROM HOUSE. SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE Form BD-15 In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>SB250</u>, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act providing for the involuntary transfer of title for boats and snowmobiles; providing for presumption of joint ownership of boats and snowmobiles; and amending sections 23-2-510 and 23-2-612, MCA.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

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RAY SHACKLEFORD, SUDGET DIRECTOR DATE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

TOM BECK, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE

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(3) A purchaser of a new or used snowmobile from a 11 licensed snowmobile dealer has a grace period of 20 calendar 12 days from the date of purchase to register the snowmobile, 13 14 make application for a certificate of ownership, and obtain a decal indicating that the fee in lieu of property tax has 15 16 been paid on the snowmobile for the current year. It is not a violation of 23-2-601 through 23-2-644 or any other law 17 for the purchaser to operate a newly acquired snowmobile 18 without a certificate of ownership, certificate of 19 20 registration, and a decal during the 20-day period. During 21 this period the sticker, provided for in subsection $(4)_{\tau}$ shall remain affixed to the snowmobile. 22

23 (4) Prior to the delivery of the snowmobile to the
24 purchaser, the dealer shall issue and affix to the
25 snowmobile a sticker (in a form to be prescribed by the

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department of justice}. The sticker shall contain the name
 and address of the purchaser, the date of sale, the name and
 address of the dealer, and a description of the snowmobile,
 including its serial number. The dealer shall keep a copy of
 the sticker for his records and shall send a copy of the
 sticker to the department of justice.

(5) The provisions of subsection (2) of this section 7 8 do not apply in the event of the transfer of a snowmobile to 9 a duly licensed snowmobile dealer intending to resell the snowmobile and who operates it only for demonstration 10 purposes, but every such dealer, upon transferring such his 11 interest, shall deliver the certificate of ownership with an 12 application for a new certificate executed by the new owner 13 14 in accordance with the provisions of 23-2-601 through 15 23-2-644. The department of justice, upon receipt of the certificate of ownership and application for a new 16 certificater containing notice of a security interest, if 17 any, shall issue a new certificate of ownership, together 18 with a statement of any conditional sales contract, 19 20 mortgage, or other lien.

21 (6) When the names and addresses of more than one 22 owner who are members of the same immediate family are 23 listed on the certificate of ownership, joint ownership with 24 right of survivorship, and not as tenants in common, is 25 presumed.

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1 (7) The provisions of 61-3-201(3) through (7) that

2 apply to motor vehicles also apply to any certificate of

3 ownership transferred under this section."

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