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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 805/805-72 new
20 ILCS 862/36
20 ILCS 862/36.3 new
30 ILCS 105/5.990 new

Amends the Department of Natural Resources (Conservation) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall coordinate with the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, and members of the University of Illinois' INHS Medical Entomology Program to establish the Lyme Disease Innovation Program no later than one year after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Provides that the Department shall contract with a not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to raise awareness of tick-borne diseases with the public and the medical community to operate the Program. Provides that the Program's purpose is to raise awareness with the public and to assist persons at risk of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases with education and awareness materials and campaigns while developing evidence-based approaches that are cost-effective. Includes provisions relating to the Program's objectives. Provides that the Program shall be funded by the Lyme Disease Awareness Fund. Amends the Recreational Trails of Illinois Act. Provides that the Department of Natural Resources shall issue to an off-highway vehicle owner an Off-Highway Vehicle Usage Stamp, and the Stamp shall be \$10 or \$5 depending on the size of the vehicle's engine capacity. Provides that the proceeds from the Stamp must be deposited into the Lyme Disease Awareness Fund. Makes a conforming change. Amends the State Finance Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

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1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Natural Resources
5 (Conservation) Law of the Civil Administrative Code of
6 Illinois is amended by adding Section 805-72 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 805/805-72 new)

8 Sec. 805-72. Lyme Disease Innovation Program.

9 (a) The Department shall coordinate with the Department of
10 Agriculture, the Department of Public Health, and members of
11 the University of Illinois' INHS Medical Entomology Program to
12 establish the Lyme Disease Innovation Program no later than
13 one year after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
14 103rd General Assembly. The Department shall contract with a
15 not-for-profit organization whose purpose is to raise
16 awareness of tick-borne diseases with the public and the
17 medical community to operate the Program. The Program's
18 purpose is to raise awareness with the public and to assist
19 persons at risk of Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases
20 with education and awareness materials and campaigns while
21 developing evidence-based approaches that are cost-effective.

22 (b) The Program shall implement a statewide interagency
23 and multipronged approach to combat Lyme disease and other

1 tick-borne diseases in Illinois, including adopting an
2 evidence-based model that recognizes the key roles that
3 patients, advocates, and not-for-profit organizations have in
4 fighting Lyme disease and tick-borne diseases. The Program's
5 objectives include:

6 (1) bringing awareness of Lyme disease and tick-borne
7 diseases by any one or more of the following methods:

8 (A) creating innovative ideas and collaborations
9 for raising awareness about risks and prevention;

10 (B) amplifying and improving access to essential
11 information supporting innovations in prevention,
12 education, and care with open data and science;

13 (C) fostering the development of new,
14 community-based education and prevention efforts; and

15 (D) using programs, website advertising,
16 pamphlets, or other methods to increase the awareness
17 of Lyme disease and tick-borne diseases;

18 (2) engaging stakeholders to facilitate
19 patient-centered innovations by (i) building trust among
20 stakeholders through listening sessions, roundtables, and
21 other learning approaches that ground innovations in lived
22 experience, (ii) engaging stakeholders in identifying
23 current areas of need to promote targeted innovations that
24 will make real-world improvements in quality of care, and
25 (iii) gaining insight into patient needs and priorities
26 through stakeholders' collective wisdom and applying that

1 wisdom in shaping future innovation challenges and events.

2 (3) advance stakeholder driven interdisciplinary and
3 interagency collaborations by providing resources to
4 not-for-profit organizations whose purpose is to raise
5 awareness of tick-borne diseases with the public and the
6 medical community in order to (i) facilitate the
7 stakeholder engagement and collaborations and
8 patient-centered innovations and support groups, (ii)
9 identify ways to better collect and share data while
10 raising awareness of tick-borne illnesses, and (iii)
11 assist with the development of outreach and education
12 materials and approaches for State agencies.

13 (c) The Program shall be funded through moneys deposited
14 into the Lyme Disease Awareness Fund and other appropriations.
15 The not-for-profit organization contracted with to operate the
16 Program shall be paid for its operation of the Program from
17 moneys deposited into the Fund or from other appropriations.

18 (d) The Department, the Department of Agriculture, and the
19 Department of Public Health must adopt rules or joint rules to
20 implement this Section.

21 Section 10. The Recreational Trails of Illinois Act is
22 amended by changing Section 36 and by adding Section 36.3 as
23 follows:

24 (20 ILCS 862/36)

1 Sec. 36. Falsification. No person shall falsely alter or
2 change in any manner the Off-Highway Vehicle Usage Stamp or
3 Off-Highway Vehicle Lyme Disease Awareness Stamp issued under
4 the provisions of this Act, or falsify any record required by
5 this Act, or counterfeit any form of license provided for by
6 this Act. Any person found guilty of this Section shall be
7 guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.

8 (Source: P.A. 97-1136, eff. 1-1-13.)

9 (20 ILCS 862/36.3 new)

10 Sec. 36.3. Off-Highway Vehicle Lyme Disease Awareness
11 Stamp.

12 (a) As used in this Section, "Stamp" means an Off-Highway
13 Vehicle Lyme Disease Awareness Stamp.

14 (b) The Department shall issue to an off-highway vehicle
15 owner an Off-Highway Vehicle Usage Stamp. The Stamp is a
16 separate and additional requirement from the other off-highway
17 vehicle stickers or stamps under this Act. Except as provided
18 in this Section, a person shall not, on or after March 1, 2024,
19 operate any off-highway vehicle within the State unless the
20 off-highway vehicle has attached a Stamp purchased and
21 displayed in accordance with the provisions of this Section.
22 The Department shall adopt rules for the purchase of Stamps.

23 (c) The fee for a Stamp for a vehicle with an engine
24 capacity of over 75 cubic centimeters shall be \$10 annually
25 and shall expire the March 31st following the year displayed

1 on the Stamp. The fee for a Stamp for a vehicle with an engine
2 capacity of 75 cubic centimeters or below shall be \$5 annually
3 and shall expire the March 31st following the year displayed
4 on the Stamp.

5 The Department shall deposit all moneys from the sale of
6 each Stamp into the Lyme Disease Awareness Fund, a special
7 fund that is created in the State treasury, and, as directed by
8 the Department, may be expended for the Lyme Disease
9 Innovation Program under Section 805-72 of the Department of
10 Natural Resources (Conservation) Law of the Civil
11 Administrative Code of Illinois.

12 (d) The owner of an off-highway vehicle shall prominently
13 display the Stamp on the forward half of the off-highway
14 vehicle.

15 (e) The operator of an off-highway vehicle must purchase a
16 new Stamp if a previous Stamp is destroyed, lost, stolen, or
17 mutilated beyond legibility. A valid Stamp already displayed
18 on an off-highway vehicle that is sold or transferred remains
19 valid until the date the Stamp expires.

20 (f) The operator of an off-highway vehicle is not required
21 to display a Stamp if the off-highway vehicle falls into any of
22 the exceptions from display under Section 34.

23 Section 90. The State Finance Act is amended by adding
24 Section 5.990 as follows:

1 (30 ILCS 105/5.990 new)

2 Sec. 5.990. The Lyme Disease Awareness Fund.

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
4 becoming law.