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AN ACT to amend the tax law and the state finance law, in relation to providing an income tax credit for certain landowners that provide recreational access for snowmobiling

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, REPRESENTED IN SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Section 606 of the tax law is amended by adding a new 2 subsection (n-2) to read as follows:

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- (N-2) CREDIT FOR CERTAIN LANDOWNERS WHO ALLOW SNOWMOBILE ACCESS. (1) AN INDIVIDUAL TAXPAYER WHO MEETS THE ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS IN PARAGRAPH TWO OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT AGAINST THE TAXES IMPOSED BY THIS ARTICLE IN THE AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN PARAGRAPH THREE OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- (2) TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE CREDIT, THE TAXPAYER (OR TAXPAYERS FILING JOINT RETURNS) ON THE PERSONAL INCOME TAX RETURN MUST ALLOW SNOWMOBILE ACCESS IN THE FORM OF A STATE-FUNDED SNOWMOBILE TRAIL OR PORTION THEREOF ON PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TAXPAYER THAT EITHER RECEIVES AN AGRICULTURAL ASSESSMENT UNDER SECTION THREE HUNDRED FIVE OR THREE HUNDRED SIX OF THE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW OR IS ELIGIBLE FOREST LAND UNDER SECTION FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.
- 15 (3) A TAXPAYER SHALL BE ALLOWED A CREDIT EQUAL TO TEN CENTS PER LINEAR 16 FOOT OF STATE-FUNDED SNOWMOBILE TRAIL ON ELIGIBLE PROPERTY PURSUANT TO 17 PARAGRAPH TWO OF THIS SUBSECTION.

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [] is old law to be omitted.

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S 2. Paragraph (d) of subdivision 6 of section 92-s of the state finance law, as amended by section 13 of part E of chapter 61 of the laws of 2000, is amended to read as follows:

- (d) Moneys from the open space account shall be available, pursuant to appropriation, for any open space land conservation project, bio-diversity stewardship and research pursuant to chapter five hundred fiftyfour of the laws of nineteen hundred ninety-three, for the purposes of agricultural and farmland protection activities as authorized by article twenty-five-AAA of the agriculture and markets law, FOR SUPPORT OF THE LANDOWNER SNOWMOBILE ACCESS TAX CREDIT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (N-2) OF SECTION SIX HUNDRED SIX OF THE TAX LAW, non-point source abatement and control projects pursuant to section 17-1409 of the environmental conservation law and section eleven-b of the soil and water conservation districts law, for Long Island Central Pine Barrens area planning or Long Island south shore estuary reserve planning pursuant to title thirteen of article fifty-four of the environmental conservation law, and for operation and management of the Albany Pine Bush preserve commission pursuant to subdivision two of section 54-0303 of the environmental conservation law.
- conservation law.

 S 3. This act shall take effect on the first of January next succeeding the date on which it shall have become a law and shall apply to taxable years beginning on or after such date; provided, however, that the department of taxation and finance is authorized and directed to promulgate rules and regulations necessary for the timely implementation of this act on or before such effective date.