

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE - HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Document

No. 332

S. P. 149

In Senate, January 17, 1961.

Referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Gilbert of Kennebec.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-ONE

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AN ACT Relating to Flares, etc. for Certain Trucks Having Short Term  
Permits.

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 138, amended.** Section 138 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 7 of chapter 308 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 138. Trucks 15,000 pounds and over to carry flares.** No person shall operate or cause to be operated upon the highways of the State any **motor truck or truck tractor** having a registration **or short term permit** in excess of 15,000 pounds unless equipped with 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 flares, 3 red lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors; except that in the case of vehicles used for transportation of inflammable liquids or gas in bulk, such equipment shall consist of 2 red flags, and in addition thereto 3 red electric lanterns or 3 red emergency reflectors.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 139, amended.** The first sentence of section 139 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 8 of chapter 308 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:

'Whenever any motor truck or truck tractor having a registration **or short term permit** in excess of 15,000 pounds is disabled upon the traveled portion of the highway or shoulder next thereto, the operator thereof shall, during the time that lights are required, place 3 lighted flares or 3 red lanterns or 3 emergency reflectors on the roadway as follows: one flare or one lantern or one red emergency reflector in the center of the lane of traffic occupied by said disabled motor vehicle not less than 100 feet distant therefrom in the direction of traffic ap-

proaching in that lane, one flare or red lantern or one red emergency reflector not less than 100 feet from such vehicle in the center of said lane in the opposite direction and one flare or one red lantern or one red emergency reflector at the traffic side of such vehicle not closer than 10 feet from the front or rear thereof; except that if such vehicle shall be a vehicle used for the transportation of inflammable liquids or gas in bulk, only red electric lanterns or red emergency reflectors shall be placed as provided.'