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### No. 881

S.P. 325

In Senate, February 28, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Education suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator BOST of Penobscot Cosponsored by Representative O'DEA of Orono and Representative CATHCART of Orono.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Amend the University of Maine System Charter.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §1251, as amended by PL 1987, c. 607, is further amended by adding a new paragraph at the end to read:

 Notwithstanding the provisions of Private and Special Law 1865, chapter 532, section 8-A, speed limits within the limits of the property owned by or under the control of the University of Maine System must be established by the Department of Transportation and the Maine State Police as provided in this section. The speed limits must be posted by the University of Maine System in accordance with written directions or policies of the Department of Transportation.

Sec. 2. P&SL 1865, c. 532, §8-A, last ¶, as enacted by PL 1971, c. 544, §142, is amended to read:

18 The trustees may make rules and regulations for the control, movement and parking of vehicles within the limits of the 20 property owned by or under the control of the university <u>University of Maine System</u>. Such The rules and regulations shall 22 have the same force and effect as municipal ordinances and District Courts are authorized to impose fines not to exceed \$10 24 <u>\$50</u> for each <u>parking</u> violation. The trustees, by resolution, may adopt the provisions of the Maine Revised Statutes, Title-30-26 section-21517-subsection-3, paragraph A Title 30-A, section 3009, relating to prima facie evidence, and the establishment of a 28 waiver of court action by payment of specified fees and the establishment and policing of parking spaces for handicapped persons. Notwithstanding this paragraph, speed limits within the 30 limits of the property owned by or under the control of the 32 University of Maine System must be established by the Department of Transportation and the Maine State Police as provided in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29, section 1251 and the speed 34 limits must be posted by the University of Maine System in accordance with written directions or policies of the Department 36 of Transportation. The violation of any rules and regulations relating to the movement of vehicles is deemed to be a traffic 38 infraction unless defined as a felony or misdemeanor under Title 40 29.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

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This bill authorizes the Trustees of the University of Maine System to adopt rules for the establishment and policing of parking spaces for handicapped persons. This bill also requires that speed limits within property owned by or under the control of the University of Maine System be established by the Department of Transportation and the Maine State Police. The University of Maine System is required to post the speed limits under the direction or policies of the Department of Transportation.

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