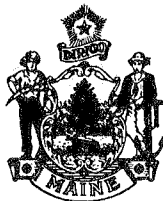


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House of Representatives, February 4, 1997

**An Act to Authorize the Department of Transportation to Cut Brush and
Trees along a Highway at the Request of a Business.**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden.
Cosponsored by Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, FISHER of Brewer, JONES of
Pittsfield, MAYO of Bath, PLOWMAN of Hampden, POULIN of Oakland, SAXL of Bangor.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §955** is enacted to read:

6 **§955. Removal of visual obstructions**

8 At the request of a business, the department may trim, cut
10 down and remove trees and brush located in the right-of-way of a
12 state or state aid highway that decrease the visibility of the
14 business from the highway. A business requesting the services of
16 the department in accordance with this section shall reimburse
18 the department for all costs associated with the requested
20 service.

16 **SUMMARY**

18 This bill allows the Department of Transportation to remove
20 trees and brush within the right-of-way of a state or state aid
highway when a business requests the service to increase
visability of the business from the highway.