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An Act to Reduce Maximum Speeds on Roads Close to Residences

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Clerk

Presented by Representative HENDERSON of Rumford.

1	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
2 3	Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2074, sub-§1, ¶D, as amended by PL 2005, c. 577, §30, is further amended to read:
4 5 6	D. Forty-five miles per hour on all other public ways unless otherwise posted; and, except that on a public way where at least one residence is within 15 feet of the public way, the following maximum rates of speed apply:
7 8	(1) Twenty-five miles per hour for a snowplow and equipment used by the department exclusively for the removal of snow on the public way:
9	(2) Twenty-five miles per hour for a vehicle with at least 5 axles; and
10	(3) Thirty-five miles per hour for all other vehicles; and
11	SUMMARY
12 13 14	Except when conditions or other regulations require a lower speed, this bill sets the maximum rates of speed for a public way where at least one residence is within 15 feet of the public way as follows:
15 16	1. Twenty-five miles per hour for a snowplow and equipment used by the Department of Transportation exclusively for the removal of snow on the public way;
17	2. Twenty-five miles per hour for a vehicle with at least 5 axles; and
18	3. Thirty-five miles per hour for all other vehicles.