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132ND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 802, L.D. 1227, "An Act to Repeal the Requirement That Motor Vehicle Manufacturers Equip Vehicles with a Standardized Data Access Platform"

Amend the bill by inserting after the title and before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, Initiated Bill 2023, chapter 3 took effect on January 5, 2024, requiring motor vehicle manufacturers to make mechanical data emanating directly from a motor vehicle available to the motor vehicle owner and 3rd parties via a standardized platform; and

Whereas, pending litigation in this State and in multiple jurisdictions regarding similar laws has resulted in significant uncertainty for vehicle owners, manufacturers and repair shops and, in some cases, the deactivation of the telematics systems to comply with overlapping or conflicting regulations; and

Whereas, the automotive right to repair statute directly impacts the security of consumer data in this State and creates ambiguity in the secure management and transmission of information from a telematics system; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Amend the bill by adding before the summary the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

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SUMMARY

This amendment, which is the minority report of the committee, adds an emergency preamble and emergency clause.