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1051 AN ACT TO MODIFY CERTAIN RULES OF Theriault ENG. AS AMD  
THE ROAD TO CONFORM WITH THE  
UNIFORM VEHICLE CODE

SUMMARY: LD 1051 proposed to conform a provision in Maine's operation of vehicles law to the Uniform Vehicle Code. This bill requires vehicles, upon passing one another from opposite directions to travel to the right of the center of the travel lane.

1052 AN ACT CONCERNING STANDARDS FOR Dudley ENACT. PL 358  
REJECTION OF ALTERED VEHICLES

SUMMARY: LD 1052 proposed maximum and minimum bumper heights for motor vehicles as well as standards for the chassis and suspension systems of vehicles. The intent of the bill is to prevent the alteration of vehicles to an unsafe condition. Thus, vehicles that are "jacked up" in the rear or on both ends will not be allowed to travel upon public ways if the height exceeds the standards in the bill.

1053 AN ACT TO PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT OF Carroll,D. ENACT. PL 272  
TRANSPORTATION WITH THE ABILITY TO  
COLLECT RENTS ON ACQUIRED  
PROPERTIES

SUMMARY: LD 1053 authorizes the Department of Transportation to charge fair-market rents to persons remaining on properties acquired by the department following the acquisition. If neither the department nor the occupant can agree to a fair market rent for the initial 90 day period, the State Claims Board will decide the rent. Following the initial 90 day period of rent, the department is empowered to determine the rent.

1072 AN ACT TO REQUIRE THE WEARING OF Carroll,D. ENACT.  
PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR BY ALL  
MOTORCYCLE, MOTOR DRIVEN CYCLE AND  
MOPED RIDERS

SUMMARY: Under present law persons under the age of 15 years are required to wear a helmet or protective headgear while operating or riding a motorcycle, off-road motorcycle, motor driven cycle, etc.. LD 1072 requires that anyone under 20 years of age and persons with a learners permit to wear protective headgear while riding on these vehicles. In addition, operators and passengers with operatives who have been operating a motorcycle for less than 1 year are also required to wear protective headgear. The Bureau of Public Safety is required to study and evaluate the motorcycle accident rate and submit a report to the 112th Legislature. In addition, the Bureau is require to develop a public information program with respect to motorcycle helmets.