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#### ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

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H. P. 753 House of Representatives, January 31, 1961 Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Hendricks of Portland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Canes Carried on Public Streets or Highways by Blind Persons.

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

- R. S., c. 22, § 132, amended. Section 132 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:
- **'Sec. 132. Carrying of canes.** It is unlawful for any person, unless totally or partially blind or otherwise incapacitated, while on any public street or highway, to carry in a raised or extended position a cane or walking stick which is white **or light metallic** in color or white tipped with red.'
- Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 133, amended. Section 133 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 133. When vehicles to stop. Whenever a pedestrian is crossing or attempting to cross a public street or highway, guided by a guide dog or carrying in a raised or extended position a cane or walking stick which is white or light metallic in color or white tipped with red, the driver of every vehicle approaching the intersection, or place where such pedestrian is attempting to cross, shall bring his vehicle to a full stop before arriving at such intersection or place of crossing, and before proceeding shall take such precautions as may be necessary to avoid injuring such pedestrian.'