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STATE OF MAINE
SENATE
100th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 417, L.D. 1356, Bill, "An Act
Relating to Outdoor Advertising on the Interstate System."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause the
following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Title 23, U. S. Code, Section
131, paragraph (c) provides that any state which enters into an
agreement with the Secretary of Commerce of the United States for
the control of outdoor advertising devices adjacent to the right-of-
way of certain sections of the Interstate System will receive
additional federal funds for the construction of the Interstate
System to the extent of $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% of the cost of construction of
those sections; and

Whereas, the State of Maine would receive approximately
\$700,000 under section 131, paragraph (c) referred to above if it
entered into such an agreement with the Secretary of Commerce of
the United States; and

Whereas, under the terms of section 131, paragraph (c)
such an agreement must be entered into prior to July 1, 1961; 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, '

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 147-A."
by inserting at the end of subsection II the following:

'No such sign shall be permitted which:

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- A. Attempts or appears to attempt to direct the movement of traffic or which interferes with, imitates or resembles any official traffic sign, signal or device.
- B. Prevents the driver of a vehicle from having a clear and unobstructed view of official signs and approaching or merging traffic.
- C. Contains, includes, or is illuminated by any flashing, intermittent or moving light or lights.
- D. Uses lighting in connection therewith unless it is so effectively shielded as to prevent beams or rays of light from being directed at any portion of the main traveled way of the Interstate System, or is of such low intensity or brilliance as not to cause glare or to impair the vision of the driver of any motor vehicle, or to otherwise interfere with any driver's operation of a motor vehicle.
- E. Moves or has any animated or moving parts.
- F. Is erected or maintained upon trees or painted or drawn upon rocks or other natural features.'

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.'

Reported by the Committee on HIGHWAYS.

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