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STATE OF MAINE  
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FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1356, L.D. 1685, Bill, "AN ACT  
Relating to State-Owned Motor Vehicles."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of that part designated  
§ 7 and inserting in place thereof the following:

§ 7. State-owned motor vehicles

The State may provide motor vehicles for the travel of state employees in a number to be determined by the Legislature. Each state department or commission head shall promulgate written policy concerning the use of state-owned motor vehicles, assigned to his department or commission, which shall include, but not be limited to, a definition of the use of state-owned motor vehicles which constitute use in the conduct of state business and which distinguishes such use from private use.

Any state employee or official who misuses a state-owned motor vehicle shall be liable for the actual costs of such use and in addition may be subjected to appropriate disciplinary action, including suspension from employment.

All state-owned vehicles, except as otherwise provided, shall display special registration plates, approved by the Secretary of State, plainly designating them as state-owned motor vehicles. They may in addition display a marker or insignia, approved by the Secretary of State, plainly designating them as state-owned. Motor vehicles used by departments, commissions or agencies charged by law with law enforcement or investigatory functions, if used for those purposes, shall not be required to display a special registration plate.

The Legislative Research Committee shall biennially study and review state motor vehicle needs and uses and shall report its findings to the Legislature. Department and agency heads shall justify the purchase of motor vehicles as part of requests for appropriations before the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.'

Proposed by Senator TANOUS of Penobscot.

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