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STATE OF MAINE
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HOUSE AMENDMENT " B " to H. P. 1513, L. D. 1955, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to Speed of Motor Vehicles on Expressway Systems."

Amend said Bill in the Title by inserting at the end, before the period, the following: 'and to Clarify the Definition of Motorcycle to Exclude Certain Traffic Control Vehicles'

Further amend said Bill by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, §1, sub-§4, amended. Subsection 4 of section 1 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

4. Motorcycle. Every motor vehicle having a seat or saddle for the use of the rider and designed to travel on not more than 3 wheels in contact with the ground, but excluding a tractor and a parking control vehicle.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, §1, sub-§9-A, additional. Section 1 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 9-A, to read as follows:

9-A. Parking control vehicle. "Parking control vehicle" shall mean a 3-wheel vehicle of 25 horsepower or less with a metal roof operated by law enforcement officials for the purpose of controlling parking and traffic.

Sec. 3. R. S., T. 29, §249-A, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 249-A to read as follows:

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§249-A. Parking control vehicle

Parking control vehicles, as defined in section 1, subsection 9-A, shall be registered as motorcycles.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 4.'

Statement of Fact

Small, 3-wheel traffic control vehicles now in use by municipalities are "motorcycles" under the present statute. Even though these police vehicles have a metal roof, are enclosed for protection of the driver, unless the statute is changed, police departments will be required to obtain helmets for the operators and the operators will be required to obtain a special motorcycle operator's license. The expense and inconvenience would be unreasonable and unnecessary.

Filed by Mr. Kelleher of Bangor.

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