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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1338

H. P. 990 House of Representatives, March 24, 1975 On Motion of Mr. Laffin of Westbrook, referred to the Committee on Taxation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Usher of Westbrook. Cosponsor: Mr. Laffin of Westbrook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT Concerning the Mounting of Red Lights on Vehicles Operated by Volunteer Firemen.

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

29 MRSA § 1368, sub-§ 1, 2nd sentence, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

When authorized by the municipal officers of a municipality and countersigned by the fire chief, a red blinker or flashing red signal light, not more than 5 inches in diameter and shielded from the driver of the vehicle so that the light will not interfere with his vision, shall be mounted on the dashboard of a motor vehicle operated by a member of a volunteer fire department.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This Act provides that volunteer firemen may be authorized to mount a red flashing light on the dashboard of their cars, provided that the light is shielded from the driver's vision. At present, volunteer firemen must mount these lights on the grills of their cars which results in the light being difficult to see in heavy traffic.