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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 107TH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1244, L.D. 1545, Bill,
"AN ACT to Remove the Requirement that Municipalities

Composing a Transit District be Contiguous and to Authorize

Municipal Transit Districts to Provide Transportation Service

Outside of District Boundaries."

Amend said Bill in the title by inserting at the end before the punctuation the following: 'and Concerning Advertising which may be Carried by Certain Transit District Buses'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning before the enacting clause the following:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the Legislature unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, public transportation is extremely important during the coming months to accommodate the touring public during the energy shortage; and

Whereas, legislation to permit municipalities which are not contiguous to be included in a transit district is vitally important to encourage public transportation; 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 by inserting after the enacting clause the following:

'Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §2012, sub-§1, ¶A, as last repealed and replaced by PL 1973, c. 780, §4, is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence:

Transit district buses, subject to this section, used primarily for transporting persons other than pupils, may carry advertising not to exceed a width of 40 inches on their front and of 75 inches on their rear.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 1.'

Further amend said Bill by inserting at the end before the Statement of Fact the following:

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

Statement of Fact

This amendment is intended to add an emergency preamble, to establish that transit buses used only occasionally to carry pupils may carry advertising and to limit the dimensions of such advertising.

Filed by Mr. Jensen of Portland.

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