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SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1474, L.D. 1564, Bill, "AN ACT Relating to the Prohibition Against Hitchhiking."

Amend said Bill by inserting at the end of the first underlined paragraph after the amending clause the following sentences:

Nothing in this section shall prohibit the solicitation of aid in the event of accidents or by persons who are sick or seeking assistance for the sick. The exception for sickness shall apply only in cases of bona fide sickness in which an emergency exists.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the last underlined paragraph before the Statement of Fact and inserting in place thereof the following:

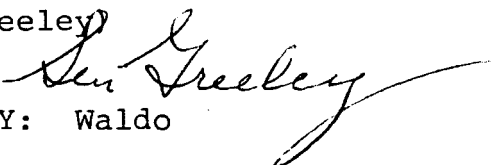
'Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a municipality from regulating or prohibiting hitchhiking by appropriate ordinance on any public highway or portion thereof. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the Department of Transportation from regulating and prohibiting hitchhiking on any state or state aid highway or portion thereof in the interest of safety.'

Areas where hitchhiking has been regulated or prohibited shall be clearly identified by posted signs.

"Hitchhiking" as used in this section shall mean to endeavor by words, gestures or otherwise, to beg, invite or secure transportation in any motor vehicle not engaged in passenger carry for hire, unless said person knows the driver thereof or any passenger therein.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the definition of hitchhiking and to clarify those instances where hitchhiking may be prohibited and to authorize the Department of Transportation to prohibit hitchhiking where safety may be impaired.

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