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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (Filing No. H-1222)
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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 2270, L.D. 2337, Bill,
"AN ACT Correcting Errors and Inconsistencies in Motor Vehicle
Related Laws."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 10 the following:

'Sec. 10-A. 29 MRSA §1655, first ¶, as/^{last}repealed and replaced
by PL 1975, c. 237, §6, is amended to read:

The operation on the highways of any vehicle loaded entirely with firewood, sawed lumber, dimension lumber, pulpwood, wood chips, logs, soils, unconsolidated rock materials, bolts, farm produce, road salt, manufacturer's concrete products, building materials which absorb moisture during delivery originating and terminating within the State, or dump trucks, tractor dump trucks or transit-mix concrete trucks carrying highway construction materials; or any vehicle loaded with a majority of products requiring refrigeration, whether by ice or mechanical equipment, and on such vehicles when inspected by the Maine State Police, the number of the seal shall be recorded and the number of the new seal shall be recorded by the Maine State Police, the operation on the highways of any vehicle loaded with raw ore from mine or quarry to place of processing shall not be deemed to be in violation if the gross weight of such vehicle does not exceed 110% of the maximum gross weight for which such vehicle is then registered, nor 110% of the maximum gross weight permitted for such vehicle by section 1652, and provided that the maximum axle loads for these vehicles do not exceed 24,200 pounds for a single axle unit, 46,000 pounds for a tandem

axle unit and 54,000 pounds for a tri-axle unit, except that 64,000 pounds shall be permitted on the tri-axle unit of a 4-axle motor vehicle hauling forest products, grain or manufacturer's concrete products until November 1, 1979.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment includes 4-axle motor vehicles hauling grain or manufacturer's concrete products in the 64,000 pounds exemption from the maximum axle loads under the motor vehicle laws. This exemption lasts until November 1, 1979, and is necessary to permit procurement of the necessary parts from the manufacturers in order to comply with the final statutory weight limits.

Filed by Mr. Carroll of Limerick.

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