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HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" H.P. 1505, L.D. 1738, Bill, "AN ACT
Relating to Providing Information Services to Maine Travelers."

Amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1904."
by striking out all of subsection 3 and inserting in its place
the following:

'3. Membership. The Travel Information Advisory Council shall have 8 members as follows: One representing the lodging industry, one representing the restaurant industry, one representing the recreational industry, one representing the Keep Maine Scenic Committee, one representing agriculture, one representing environmental organizations, one representing nonprofit historical and cultural institutions and one representing the general public. The members shall be appointed by the Governor, one of whom he shall designate as chairman. The 8 initially appointed members shall be appointed as of the effective date of this chapter, with 4 appointed for one-year terms, and 4 appointed for 2-year terms. New members shall be appointed annually thereafter to 2-year terms. If a vacancy occurs prior to the expiration of a term, that vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of that term. Meetings shall be held at the call of the chairman or at the call of more than 1/2 of the membership. Members of the council, except state employees, shall receive \$25 per day for their services at meetings

and all members shall receive necessary traveling expenses for attending all meetings of the council. All council expenses shall be paid from the fund established by section 1919.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1913." by inserting after subsection 12 the following:

'13. Signs for nonprofit historical and cultural institutions. Signs erected by nonprofit historical and cultural institutions, no more than 2 in number, with a total surface area not to exceed 50 square feet each.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1913." by renumbering section 13 to be section 14.

Further amend the bill in section 1 by inserting at the end of that part designated "§1914." the following:

'9. Limitations not applicable to certain signs. The limitations in this section shall not apply to on-premise signs which are located on land contiguous to any public way which is built up with buildings devoted to business or dwelling purposes and which are situated less than 200 feet apart for a distance of at least 1/4 of a mile except the limitations in this section shall apply to on-premise signs adjacent to the Interstate system.'

Further amend the bill in section 1 in that part designated "§1917." by striking out all of subsection 4 and inserting in its place the following:

'4. Compensation subject to litigation. Whenever the compensation to be paid for removal of any sign is the subject of litigation, pending the litigation such sign shall be removed as provided in subsections 1 and 2.'

Statement of Fact

This amendment adds 2 members to the advisory commission established under the bill; one to represent nonprofit historical and cultural institutions and one to represent the general public. Further, the amendment permits nonprofit historical and cultural institutions to erect up to 2 signs each with a total square foot area not to exceed 50 feet.

The other changes in the amendment are technical in nature and are designed to clarify provisions of the Act.

Filed by Mr. Hggins of Scarborough.

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