

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 52, L.D. 77, Bill, "AN ACT to Permit Privately-owned Snowplows to keep Warning Lights on When on the Highways as well as Private Property."

Amend the bill in the title by inserting at the end, before the period, the following: 'and to Require that Private Snowplows Traveling on Highways Angle Their Blades'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line after the enacting clause, the following:

'Sec. 1.'

Further amend the bill by inserting at the end, before the Statement of Fact, the following:

'Sec. 2. 29 MRSA §1368-B is enacted to read:

§1368-B. Plows; angling of blade while on public ways

Vehicles equipped and used for plowing snow on other than public ways on which the plow is capable of being angled shall, while on any public way, position the plow blade such that the left edge is as close as possible to the body of the vehicle, except that the blade need not be any closer than even with the left side of the vehicle's body. This section shall not apply to these vehicles while in the process of entering in or upon a public way in the course of plowing private driveways and other off-highway locations.'

Statement of Fact

The purpose of this amendment is to require that plows, other than public plows, keep their blades angled while they are on a public way in such a manner that if another vehicle strikes them the other vehicle will be deflected off the blade. The angling of the plow blade will help prevent serious injury in accidents involving plows.

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