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ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 1358

H. P. 1108

House of Representatives, March 20, 1979

On Motion of Mr. McKean, referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Kany of Waterville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-NINE

AN ACT to Permit Conventional Registration of Institutional Vehicles.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

29 MRSA § 256, sub-§ 1, ¶ B is enacted to read:

B. Motor vehicles used by the Department of Mental Health and Corrections solely for the purpose of transporting clients of mental health or mental retardation institutes to community services or programs, shall not be required to display a special registration plate or decal if the Commissioner of Public Safety and the Commissioner of Mental Health and Corrections so authorize.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill permits institutional vehicles of the Department of Mental Health and Corrections to have conventionally registered plates when used for transporting clients to community programs or services and when approved by both the Commissioners of Public Safety and Mental Health and Corrections.

The purpose of this bill is to avoid the undue stigma for departmental clients that results from being transported in state vehicles.