

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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FIRST REGULAR SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 426

H. P. 383

House of Representatives, January 26, 1981

Referred to the Committee on Local and County Government. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Small of Bath.

Cosponsor: Representative Stover of West Bath.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Enable Municipal Governments to Set Speed Limits within Their own Jurisdictions.

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

29 MRSA § 1256, first sentence is amended to read:

Municipalities ~~shall have no power to~~ **may within their territorial limits**, alter any speed limitations ~~or to enact or enforce any regulations contrary to this Title;~~ **except that established pursuant to section 1251, provided that the limit does not exceed the maximum limits set out in section 1251, and they may by ordinances or bylaws regulate traffic by means of signal devices or other appropriate methods on any portion of the way where traffic is heavy or continuous, and prohibit other than one-way traffic upon certain ways, subject to Title 23, section 1351.**

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit municipalities to set speed limits on roads within their territorial limits which are different from those established by the Department of Transportation.