

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1440

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7 H.P. 1094

House of Representatives, April 8, 1983

8 Submitted by the Department of Public Safety pursuant to Joint Rule 24.  
9 Referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence  
and ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Theriault of Fort Kent.

Cosponsors: Representative McPherson of Eliot and Representative  
11 Reeves of Pittston.

12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE  
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17 AN ACT Concerning the Stopping of Trucks  
18 at Roadside Weighing Points.  
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
21 follows:

22 29 MRSA §1801, as amended by PL 1979, c. 588, §1,  
23 is further amended to read:

24 §1801. Weighing points

25 The Chief of the State Police shall designate, of  
26 his own motion or by order of the Governor certain  
27 state police officers who will be empowered to exam-  
28 ine loads and replace seals as provided by section  
29 1802.

30 Weighing points shall be designated by the place-  
31 ment of signs not less than 500 feet from approaching  
32 traffic where these weighing points are established

1 and all these signs shall bear the words "State  
2 Police Truck Check - All Trucks Stop." The placement  
3 of signs shall be prima facie evidence that these  
4 signs were displayed in accordance with this section  
5 and any operator who drives a vehicle past these  
6 signs and fails to stop at the weighing point, except  
7 as otherwise directed by a police officer, shall be  
8 guilty of a misdemeanor.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

10 Signs are being used currently advising operators  
11 of trucks that roadside weighing points are ahead,  
12 however they do not have to be obeyed. This bill  
13 would require that trucks stop at the roadside weigh-  
14 ing point unless otherwise directed by a police offi-  
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