

1	L.D. 2411
2	(Filing No. H- 681)
3	STATE OF MAINE
4	HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
5	111TH LEGISLATURE
6	SECOND REGULAR SESSION
7 8	HOUSE AMENDMENT " $\beta$ " to H.P. 1819, L.D. 2411, Bill, "AN ACT to Amend Certain Motor Vehicle Laws."
9	Amend the bill in section ll by striking out ev-
10	erything after the amending clause (page 5, lines ll
11	to 22 in L.D.) and inserting in their place the fol-
12	lowing:
13	'Unless otherwise provided by law, one registra-
14	tion plate shall be attached to both the front and
15	rear of any motor vehicle, and each registration
16	plate shall be plainly visible. In the case of
17	trailers and semitrailers, one such plate shall be
18	attached to the rear thereof and shall always be
19	plainly visible. All registration plates shall be
20	kept clean, with identifying numbers and letters is-
21	sued to registrants kept legible.'
22	Amend the bill in section 17 in that part desig-
23	nated " <u>§2183</u> " by striking out all of the first para-
24	graph (page 8, lines 5 to 11 in L.D.) and inserting
25	in its place the following:
26	'No person may attach or permit to be attached to
27	a vehicle a registration plate assigned to another
28	vehicle. No person may obscure or permit to be
29	obscured the numbers or letters issued for any regis-
30	tration plate or fail to display properly the regis-
31	tration plate issued for any vehicle.'
32	STATEMENT OF FACT
33	The purpose of this amendment is to clarify the
34	prohibition against disfigurement of Maine motor ve-
35	hicle registration plates. The State has an impor-

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1 tant law enforcement interest in prohibiting interference with numbers and letters issued to individual motor vehicle registrants. This amendment ensures that identifying letters and numbers issued to a registrant can not be obscured.

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