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SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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SENATE AMENDMENT " C" to H.P. 1820, L.D. 2412,

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Bill, "AN ACT to Amend Certain Motor Vehicle Laws."

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Amend the Bill by striking out all of section 15
and inserting in its place the following:

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'Sec. 15. 29 MRSA §1654, as amended by PL 1983,
c. 282, §3, is further amended by adding after the
2nd paragraph a new paragraph to read:

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In the event that any vehicle operating on the
highways of this State loaded entirely with any of
the commodities enumerated in section 1655 which ex-
ceeds the authorized weight limits established in
section 1652 and for which a commodity permit has not
been purchased to transport these commodities as pro-
vided in section 1655, the penalty shall be equal to
the applicable fine in this section and the cost of
the applicable permit for a 3-month period as pro-
vided for in section 1655.'

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Further amend the bill by inserting after section
15 the following:

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'Sec. 16. 29 MRSA §1655, as amended by PL 1983,
c. 94, Pt. B, §15, is further amended by adding, af-
ter the first paragraph, a new paragraph to read:

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The penalty imposed by this section for exceeding
the weight authorized by the applicable commodity
permit shall not apply when the excess weight is less
than 2,000 pounds. This penalty exception shall not
apply to vehicles which qualify for a commodity per-
mit but for which a commodity permit has not been
purchased and the vehicle exceeds the authorized reg-
istered gross weight for that vehicle. In this case,

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1 these vehicles shall be subject to the penalty as
2 provided in sections 1652 and 1654.

3 Further amend the bill by renumbering the sec-
4 tions to read consecutively.

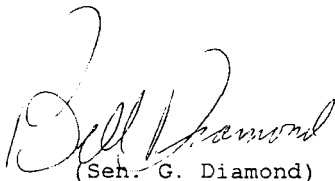
5 STATEMENT OF FACT

6 The purpose of this amendment is to provide more
7 equity between fines levied on truck owners trans-
8 porting commodities that qualify for an additional
9 10% tolerance and to allow a weight leeway. This
10 amendment:

11 1. Allows the fine to be waived for a vehicle
12 for which a commodity permit has been purchased and
13 the vehicle weight does not exceed the weight autho-
14 rized by that permit by more than 1,999 pounds; and

15 2. Requires the owner of a vehicle qualifying
16 for a commodity permit but for which a commodity per-
17 mit has not been purchased and which also exceeds the
18 registered gross weight for that vehicle to pay a
19 penalty equal to the statutory fine and the cost of a
20 quarterly permit.

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22 (Sen. G. Diamond)

23 NAME:

24 COUNTY: Cumberland

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