

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document  
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No. 84

7 H.P. 66  
8

House of Representatives, January 16, 1985

9 Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered  
10 printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative McPherson of Eliot.

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12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE  
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17 AN ACT to Permit a Vehicle to be Registered  
18 for the Gross Weight allowed by a  
19 Permit under the Motor Vehicle Laws.  
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
22 follows:

23 29 MRSA §1703, first ¶, as amended by PL 1975, c.  
24 130, §1, is further amended to read:

25 §1703. Moving heavy objects over ways and bridges;  
26 jurisdiction; permits limited

27 Jurisdiction is vested in the Department of  
28 Transportation to grant emergency permits upon proper  
29 application in writing to move objects having a  
30 length or width or height or weight greater than  
31 specified in this Title over any way or bridge main-  
32 tained by the Department of Transportation. Like per-  
33 mits may be granted by county commissioners, municip-  
34 al officers, superintendents of streets or other  
35 road officials having charge of the repair and main-

1 tenance of any other way or bridge. The fee for such  
2 permits shall be not less than \$3, nor more than \$15,  
3 to be determined, on the basis of weight, height,  
4 length and width, by the Department of Transporta-  
5 tion. All vehicles granted emergency permits under  
6 this section, because object to be moved is over le-  
7 gal maximum weight, must first be registered or hold  
8 a short-term permit for the maximum legal gross  
9 weight allowed with such vehicle. When any such  
10 gross weight permit is issued, the registered gross  
11 weight of the vehicle or combination of vehicles  
12 shall be that allowed by the permit.

13 STATEMENT OF FACT

14 Other states require a vehicle to be registered  
15 for the gross weight allowed by a permit. This pro-  
16 vision allows the state truckers to meet that re-  
17 quirement without paying hundreds of dollars to other  
18 states, as they will recognize this provision as  
19 meeting their law.

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