

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 1462                      House of Representatives, January 7, 1988  
Submitted by the Department of Transportation pursuant to  
Joint Rule 24.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested  
and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative STROUT of Corinth.

Cosponsored by Senator THERIAULT of Aroostook,  
Representatives SALSBURY of Bar Harbor and MILLS of Bethel.

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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1                                      AN ACT to Control Vehicle Speeds on  
2    Public Easements.  
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4                      Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
5                      follows:

6                      Sec. 1.    29 MRSA §1, sub-§15-C, as enacted by PL  
7                      1967, c. 245, §5, is amended to read:

8                      15-C. Street or highway. "Street" or "highway"

1 shall mean the entire width between boundary lines of  
2 every way publicly maintained when any part thereof  
3 is open to the use of the public for purposes of  
4 vehicular traffic.

5         **Sec. 2. 29 MRSA §1, sub-§21 is amended to read:**

6         21. Way. "Way" shall include all kinds of public  
7 ways and public easements.

8                                 STATEMENT OF FACT

9         The purpose of this bill is to include public  
10 easements under the definition of "streets" and  
11 "ways". This allows the Department of Transportation  
12 to work with towns to regulate speeds on discontinued  
13 town ways on which public easements have been retained.

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