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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative ROLDE of York. Cosponsored by Representative JACQUES of Waterville, Representative WEBSTER of Cape Elizabeth and Senator CLARK of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Clarify the Traffic Movement Standards under the Site Location of Development Law.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

38 MRSA §484, sub-§2, as repealed and replaced by PL 1987, c. 760, §1, and c. 812, §§10 and 18, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

7 2. Traffic movement. The developer has made adequate provision for traffic movement of all types into, out of or within the development area. The board shall consider traffic 9 movement both on-site and off-site. Before issuing a permit, the 11 board shall determine that any traffic increase attributable to the proposed development will not result in unreasonable congestion or unsafe conditions on a road in the vicinity of the 13 proposed development. In the event that a municipality 15 previously has made a finding of traffic conditions as required by the Subdivision Law, Title 30-A, section 4551, subsection 3, 17 paragraph E, or pursuant to a municipal site review or other similar municipal ordinance which requires review of a 19 development's impact on traffic, that traffic finding shall be binding on the board;

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires the Board of Environmental Protection to accept a municipal finding on traffic conditions for projects it reviews under the site law, when those projects previously have received local planning board review and approval, because local planning boards and municipalities are better able to evaluate and address local traffic issues.