

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, January 10, 1991

Reported by Representative TARDY for the Travel Information Advisory Council pursuant to Public Law 1989, chapter 735.

Reference to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation suggested and printing ordered under Joint Rule 18.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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**An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Travel Information  
Advisory Council Concerning Informational Signs.**

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

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4 Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§2, ¶¶D and E, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 318, §3, are amended to read:

6 D. Signs erected by nonprofit historical and cultural  
8 institutions. Each institution which has certified its  
10 nonprofit status with the commissioner, may erect not more  
than 2 signs with a surface area not to exceed 50 square  
feet per sign; and

12 E. Signs bearing political messages; and

14 Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§2, ¶F is enacted to read:

16 F. Signs erected by farmers advertising fresh fruit, berry  
18 and vegetable crops in season from June 15th to November 1st  
20 of each year. These signs must be erected on private  
22 property with the landowner's permission, and the signs must  
be removed by November 1st of each year. These signs are  
limited to 2 signs not exceeding 16 square feet per sign,  
and located within 5 miles of the farm stand.

24 This paragraph applies only to farmers primarily selling  
26 their own produce raised on their respective farms and not  
for commercial fruit and produce stands.

28 Sec. 3. 23 MRSA §1919, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981,  
30 c. 318, §4, is amended to read:

32 **§1919. Fees**

34 An applicant for an official business directional sign shall  
36 pay to the commissioner an initial license fee not to exceed \$30  
38 \$100 for each sign, and an annual renewal fee not to exceed \$30  
40 \$100. The commissioner shall determine the amount of each fee  
42 shall-be-determined for each year by-the-commissioner in advance  
of such each year and shall the amount of each fee must  
approximate, to the extent practicable, the amount computed by  
dividing the cost of the administration of the official business  
directional sign program by the number of signs in existence in  
the prior licensing year.

44 The fees so collected by the commissioner shall must be  
46 deposited with the Treasurer of State and appropriated to carry  
out this chapter. Such These funds shall may not lapse but shall  
must remain a continuing carrying account.

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## STATEMENT OF FACT

4           This bill raises the initial license fee and renewal fee for  
6 official business directional signs from not more than \$30 to not  
8 more than \$100 each. In addition, this bill allows farmers  
selling primarily their own produce to erect signs advertising  
their crops from June 15th to November 1st of each year.