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House of Representatives, February 5, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative AULT of Wayne.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Promote Traffic Safety by Requiring Traffic-hindering Vehicles to Yield.

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

#### 29 MRSA §1253-A is enacted to read:

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#### <u>§1253-A.</u> Slow moving vehicle to pull off roadway

On a 2-lane highway where passing is unsafe because of traffic in the opposite direction or other conditions, the operator of a slow moving vehicle, behind which 5 or more vehicles are formed in a line, shall turn off the roadway wherever sufficient area for a safe turnout exists, to permit the vehicles following to proceed. As used in this section, a slow moving vehicle is a vehicle that is proceeding at a rate of speed of at least 20 miles per hour below the posted speed limit. A person that violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture not to exceed \$50 may be adjudged.

## STATEMENT OF FACT

20 Under this bill, a slow moving vehicle, with 5 or more vehicles behind it, is required to pull off to the side of the 22 road to allow the following vehicles to pass.