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H.P. 1033

House of Representatives, April 16, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative PINES of Limestone.
Cosponsored by Representative MAHANY of Easton.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act to Amend the Farm Truck Registration Laws.



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

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3 Sec. 1. 29 MRSA §246, 6th ¶, as repealed and replaced by PL
4 1987, c. 789, §11, is amended to read:

5 The annual fee fees for registration of farm motor trucks,
6 equipped with axles other than so-called dolly axles falling
7 under section 1652, subsection 4, paragraph A, subparagraph (6),
8 or farm motor trucks towing a trailer or semitrailer when those
9 trucks are used primarily for transportation of agricultural
10 commodities, supplies or equipment to be used in connection with
11 the operation of a farm or farms owned, operated or occupied by
12 the registrant, shall-be are as follows:

13	From 0 pounds gross weight to 6,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$18
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15	From 6,001 pounds gross weight to 9,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$21
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17	From 9,001 pounds gross weight to 11,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$24
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19	From 11,001 pounds gross weight to 14,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$36
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21	From 14,001 pounds gross weight to 16,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$47
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23	From 16,001 pounds gross weight to 18,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$69
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25	From 18,001 pounds gross weight to 20,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$81
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27	From 20,001 pounds gross weight to 23,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$98
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29	From 23,001 pounds gross weight to 26,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$116
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31	From 26,001 pounds gross weight to 29,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$141
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33	From 29,001 pounds gross weight to 32,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$161
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35	From 32,001 pounds gross weight to 35,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$237
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37	From 35,001 pounds gross weight to 38,000 pounds gross weight.....	\$260

2 From 38,001 pounds gross weight to 42,000 pounds gross weight.....\$283

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6 From 42,001 pounds gross weight to 46,000 pounds gross weight.....\$306

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10 From 46,001 pounds gross weight to 50,000 pounds gross weight.....\$329

12 From 50,001 pounds gross weight to 54,000 pounds gross weight.....\$352

14 From 54,001 pounds gross weight to 55,000 pounds gross weight.....\$362

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18 From 55,001 pounds gross weight to 60,000 pounds gross weight.....\$400

20 From 60,001 pounds gross weight to 65,000 pounds gross weight.....\$437

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24 From 65,001 pounds gross weight to 69,000 pounds gross weight.....\$477

26 Sec. 2. 29 MRSA §246, 7th ¶, as enacted by PL 1983, c. 30, §2,
28 is amended to read:

30 The maximum registered weight of a farm motor truck shall
32 may not exceed 54,000 69,000 pounds. The fine for a violation of
the registered gross weight of a farm motor truck shall-be is the
34 difference between the fee for a farm motor truck and a
commercially registered motor truck, tractor or truck tractor
36 within the category of the actual weight at the time of the
violation.

38 Sec. 3. 29 MRSA §903-A is enacted to read:

40 §903-A. Transport of farm produce on closed ways

42 Notwithstanding sections 902 and 903, a vehicle transporting
44 farm produce may travel over ways that are closed to heavy
vehicles.

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48 STATEMENT OF FACT

50 This bill extends the registration schedule for farm motor
trucks from a maximum gross weight of 54,000 to 69,000 pounds,
52 thus allowing tri-axle trucks used primarily for the
transportation of agricultural commodities, supplies or equipment
to be registered as farm motor trucks rather than commercial

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vehicles. The bill permits vehicles transporting farm produce to travel over ways that are closed to heavy vehicles.