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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 245, L.D. 347, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Requirements for Truck Widths"

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 1 and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2380, sub-§3, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

3. Width exclusions. A portion of a vehicle or load may not project beyond the side of that vehicle to make a total width greater than 102 inches, except as provided in this subsection and subsection 4. Reflecting mirrors and turn signal lamps are excluded from measurement of width. The following conditions and appurtenances attached to a commercial motor vehicle are excluded from the measurement of width provided that they do not extend more than 3 inches from the side of a vehicle.

A. Corner caps;

B. Rear and side door hinges and their protective hardware;

C. Rain gutters;

D. Side lamp markers;

E. Lift pads for piggyback trailers;

F. Hazardous materials placards;

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G. Tarps and tarp hardware;

H. Tiedown assemblies on platform trailers;

I. Weevil pins and sockets on lowbed trailers;

J. Steps and handholds for entry and egress;

K. Flexible fender extensions;

L. Mud flaps and splash and spray suppressant devices;

M. Refrigeration units or air compressors;

N. Load-induced tire bulge; and

O. Wall variation from true flat.'

STATEMENT OF FACT

This amendment expands the original language to include safety devices, other appurtenances and load-induced conditions excluded from width limitations in federal regulations.