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H.P. 84

House of Representatives, January 9, 1997

An Act to Eliminate the Fine for Exceeding the Axle Weight Limit.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LANE of Enfield.

Cosponsored by Representatives: AHEARNE of Madawaska, BRAGDON of Bangor, JOYCE of Biddeford, MACK of Standish.

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

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4 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2360, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

6 **1. Violation of weight provision.** A person who operates or causes operation of a motor vehicle in violation of a weight provision for ~~any axle or group of axles or~~ gross vehicle weight commits a traffic infraction.

10 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2360, sub-§2**, amended by PL 1995, c. 546, §1, is further amended to read:

14 **2. Penalty.** Notwithstanding section 101, subsection 85, a person who is guilty of excessive vehicle weight must be punished by a fine in accordance with this section. ~~When both gross and axle weight limits are exceeded, the penalty imposed must be for the violation that results in the higher fine,~~ except that, ~~for a violation of section 2355,~~ a minimum fine must also be imposed for any other applicable violation of section 2355 in accordance with subsection 9.

22 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2360, sub-§3**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

26 **3. Schedule of fines.** The fine must be based on the amount of gross vehicle weight ~~or axle weight~~ in excess of the limits prescribed in sections 2352 to 2355.

30 This schedule is cumulative:

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34 Percent over allowed basic weight	Fine for each percent
36 1-10%	\$10 for each percent
38 11-20%	\$100 + \$15 for each percent over 10%
40 21-30%	\$250 + \$20 for each percent over 20%
42 31-40%	\$450 + \$25 for each percent over 30%
44 41-50%	\$700 + \$30 for each percent over 40%
46 more than 50%	\$1,000 + \$10 for each percent over 50%

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