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STATE OF MAINE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
118TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 144, L.D. 423, Bill, "An Act to Require That Headlights Be on during Inclement Weather"

Amend the amendment by inserting after section 1 the following:

**Sec. 2. Display of signs.** Notwithstanding the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, chapter 21, the Department of Transportation is directed to erect signs on all state highways, as defined in Maine Revised Statutes, Title 23, section 351, informing motor vehicle operators that lights must be on whenever atmospheric conditions require continuous operation of the mechanical windshield wipers on the vehicles.

**Sec. 3. Allocation.** The following funds are allocated from the Highway Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

1997-98

TRANSPORTATION,  
DEPARTMENT OF

Traffic Service

All Other \$417,500

Provides funds for contractual services to erect the required signs every 10 miles on all major state roads.

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FISCAL NOTE

1997-98

APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

Highway Fund \$417,500

The Department of Transportation will require a Highway Fund allocation of \$417,500 in fiscal year 1997-98 for contractual services to erect the required signs. This estimate is based on placing signs every 10 miles on all major state roads.

SUMMARY

This amendment directs the Department of Transportation to erect signs informing motor vehicle operators that the headlights on their motor vehicles must be on when the windshield wipers are in use.

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