

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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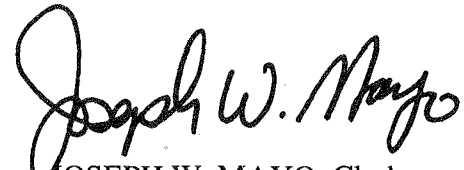
H.P. 559

House of Representatives, February 4, 1997

**An Act to Allow Law Enforcement Agencies to Use Red Flashing Lights  
on Their Vehicles.**

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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative McALEVEY of Waterboro.

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

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3       **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2054, sub-§2, ¶D,** as enacted by PL 1993, c.  
4 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

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D. Emergency lights used on a police vehicle; a Department of Corrections vehicle as described in subsection 1, paragraph B, subparagraph (6); a vehicle operated by a chief of police, a sheriff or a deputy sheriff; and a vehicle operated by a qualified deputy sheriff or other qualified individual performing court security-related functions and services must emit either a blue light or a red light, or a combination of blue and white light or a combination of red and white light. No other vehicle may be equipped with or display a blue light, except that on any vehicle, or replica of a vehicle, manufactured prior to 1952 and registered under section 457, the taillight may contain a blue or purple insert of not more than one inch in diameter.

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**SUMMARY**

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This bill allows law enforcement vehicles to be equipped with red emergency lights.