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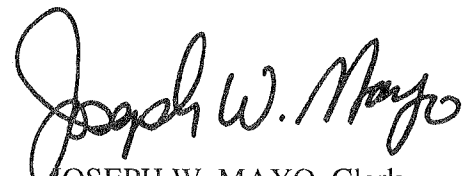
**Resolve, Requiring the Department of Transportation to Study the  
Method of Posting Roads.**

(AFTER DEADLINE)

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Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Received by the Clerk of the House on April 22, 1997. Referred to the Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 401.

  
JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative BROOKS of Winterport.  
Cosponsored by Senator LIBBY of York and  
Representatives: BRAGDON of Bangor, JOYNER of Hollis, KANE of Saco, STANLEY of  
Medway, WATSON of Farmingdale.

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2       **Sec. 1. Study of posting of roads. Resolved:** That the Department  
of Transportation shall study the methods used to protect public  
ways pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 29-A, section  
4       2395. In performing this study, the department shall  
specifically examine the methods used in Canada to protect ways  
6       by limiting the weight of vehicles according to the number of  
axles of the vehicles traveling on those protected ways and the  
8       circumstances surrounding the use of those methods by Canada,  
including, but not limited to, frost, weather conditions and  
10      paving. The department shall determine and make recommendations  
regarding the feasibility of using similar methods in the State;  
12      and be it further

14       **Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Commissioner of  
Transportation shall report on the department's findings and  
16      recommendations made pursuant to section 1, including any  
proposed implementing legislation, which must contain an  
18      effective date of April 1, 1998, to the Joint Standing Committee  
on Transportation no later than December 1, 1997.

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**SUMMARY**

24       This resolve requires the Department of Transportation to  
study the methods used by Canada to protect its roads and the  
26      circumstances leading to the use of those methods. The  
Commissioner of Transportation is required to submit a report,  
28      including the results of its findings, recommendations for  
enacting similar methods in the State and proposed legislation,  
30      which must contain an effective date of by April 1, 1998.