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# 119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1999

Legislative Document	No. 1307
H.P. 930	House of Representatives, February 16, 1999
An Act Regarding I	Required Lights on Plow Trucks.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative LOVETT of Scarborough.

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2054, sub-§2, ¶C, as affected by PL 1995, c. 65, Pt. A, §153 and amended by Pt. C, §6 and affected by §15, is further amended by amending subparagraphs 3 and 4 to read:

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A vehicle engaged in snow removal or sanding operations on a public way must be equipped with and display at least 2 auxiliary lights mounted on the highest practical point on the vehicle and provide visible light coverage over a 360' range. The lights must emit an amber beam of light, be at least 6 inches in diameter and be equipped with blinking attachments. In lieu of the lights specified, a vehicle may be equipped with at least one auxiliary rotating flashing light having 4-inch sealed beams and showing amber beams of light over a 360' range or an amber strobe, or combination of strobes, that emits at a minimum a beam of 1,000,000 candlepower and provides visible light coverage over a 360' range. When the left wing of a plow is in operation and extends over the center of the road, an auxiliary light must show the extreme end of the left wing. That light may be attached to the vehicle so that the beam of light points at the left The light illuminating the left wing may be controlled by a separate switch or by the regular lighting system and must be in operation at all times when the vehicle is used for plowing snow on public ways. All lights required under this subparagraph must be in operation at all times when the vehicle is equipped with a snow plow and is in operation on a public way,

(4) A vehicle equipped and used for plowing snow on other than public ways may be equipped with an auxiliary rotary flashing light that must be mounted on top of the vehicle in such a manner as to emit an amber beam of light over a 360' angle, or an amber strobe, or combination of strobes, that emits at a minimum a beam of 1,000,000 candlepower and provides visible light coverage over a 360' range. The light may must be in use on a public way enly when the vehicle is entering the public way in—the—course—of—plowing—private driveways—and—other—off highway—legations and the vehicle is equipped with a snow plow.

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#### SUMMARY

This bill requires a truck equipped with a snow plow to operate all required auxiliary lights at all times when the vehicle is in operation on a public way.