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H.P. 1111

House of Representatives, March 2, 1999

An Act to Require the Department of Transportation to Cut Brush and Trees Along a Highway at the Request of a Business.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

OSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative CAMPBELL of Holden. (By Request) Cosponsored by Representatives: O'NEAL of Limestone, WHEELER of Bridgewater, Senators: CASSIDY of Washington, MURRAY of Penobscot.

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

Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §955 is enacted to read:

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§955. Removal of visual obstructions

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At the request of a business, the department shall trim, cut down and remove trees and brush located in the right-of-way of a state or state aid highway that decrease the visibility of the business from the highway. A business requesting the services of the department in accordance with this section shall reimburse the department for all costs associated with the requested service.

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SUMMARY

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to remove trees and brush within the right-of-way of a state or state aid highway when a business requests the service to increase visibility of the business from the highway. The bill also requires a business to reimburse the department for any costs incurred.