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119TH LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1627, L.D. 2274, Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Authority of Maine Game Wardens to Stop Motor Vehicles"

Amend the amendment in section 2 in paragraph D-3 in the first line (page 1, line 32 in amendment) by striking out the following: "Stop" and inserting in its place the following: 'Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, stop'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in paragraph D-3 in the 2nd line (page 1, line 33 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "105" the following: 'only'

Further amend the amendment in section 2 in paragraph D-3 in the last line (page 1, line 35 in amendment) by inserting after the following: "safety" the following: ' . Nothing in this paragraph may be construed to limit a game warden's authority to participate in a formal roadblock'

Further amend the amendment by inserting after section 2 the following:

'Sec. 3. 12 MRSA §7053, sub-§2, ¶G, as enacted by PL 1979, c. 420, §1, is amended to read:

G. Do Except as provided in paragraph D-3, do anything otherwise prohibited by chapters 701 to 721 if necessary to carry out their duties and powers. This paragraph may not be construed to permit a motor vehicle stop in contravention of paragraph D-3.'

Further amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering

HOUSE AMENDMENT

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L.D. 2274

2 any consecutive Part letter or section number to read
consecutively.

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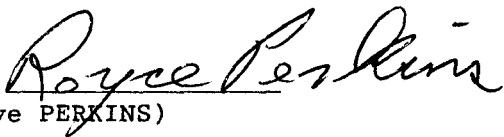
SUMMARY

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8 This amendment specifies that a game warden is authorized to
stop a motor vehicle only if the warden has a reasonable and
articulable suspicion that a violation of any law of this State
10 is taking place or has taken place or to protect public safety.
The amendment also clarifies that this limitation may not impair
12 a game warden's authority to participate in a roadblock.

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