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120TH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 400, L.D. 521, Bill, "An Act to Adopt the Canadian Highway Weight Standards"

Amend the bill by striking out the title and substituting the following:

**'Resolve, to Direct the Department of Transportation to Submit Proposed Legislation Permitting Limited Application of Canadian Highway Weight Standards'**

Further amend the bill by striking out everything after the title and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

**'Sec. 1. Department of Transportation directed to submit legislation to allow Canadian weight standards on Route 1 from Canadian border to junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville. Resolved:** That the Department of Transportation shall submit proposed legislation to allow Canadian weight standards on Route 1 from the Canadian border with Calais to the junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville to the joint standing committee of the Legislature having jurisdiction over transportation matters in the next regular legislative session after the department has determined the location of a 3rd bridge in Washington County connecting Maine with New Brunswick, Canada. This legislation must include provisions to permit a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a 3-axle semitrailer to be operated with a gross vehicle weight of 109,000 pounds and a combination vehicle consisting of a 3-axle truck tractor with a semitrailer and trailer to be operated with a gross weight of 137,800 pounds on Route 1 from the location of the proposed 3rd bridge to the junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in Baileyville.'

2 Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the  
summary the following:

6 **FISCAL NOTE**

8 The Department of Transportation will incur some minor  
additional costs to submit certain legislation pertaining to  
10 limited application of Canadian highway weight standards. These  
costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted  
12 resources.'

14 **SUMMARY**

16 This amendment is the majority report of the Joint Standing  
18 Committee on Transportation. It replaces the bill with a resolve  
that directs the Department of Transportation to submit proposed  
20 legislation to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation in  
the next regular legislative session after the department has  
22 determined the location of a 3rd bridge in Washington County  
connecting Maine with New Brunswick, Canada. This legislation  
24 must include provisions to allow Canadian weight standards on  
Route 1 from the bridge to the junction of Route 1 and Route 9 in  
26 Baileyville.