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House of Representatives, February 8, 2001

An Act to Ensure Uniform Enforcement of Maine's Weight Laws.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland

MILLICENT M. MacFARLAND, Clerk

Presented by Representative COLLINS of Wells.
Cosponsored by Senator SAVAGE of Knox and
Representatives: BOUFFARD of Lewiston, BUNKER of Kossuth Township, FISHER of
Brewer, McKENNEY of Cumberland, McNEIL of Rockland, PARADIS of Frenchville,
WHEELER of Bridgewater, WHEELER of Eliot.

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

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Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §4206, sub-§1, ¶M, as amended by PL 1995, c.
4 504, Pt. C, §8, is further amended to read:

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M. Acting upon the advice of the State Tax Assessor, to
negotiate a compact with other states, the District of
8 Columbia and Canadian provinces for the administration of
user license fees on condition that the compact provides
10 for:

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(1) The collection of the annual user license fee for
any other state or province by the state or province in
14 which the motor truck is registered;

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(2) The disbursement of revenues due to other states
or provinces subject to the compact;

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(3) The free exchange of information between and among
20 the states or provinces subject to the compact; and

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(4) The establishment of identification tags or decals.

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The compact must provide for reciprocal enforcement of the
laws establishing the annual user license fees and for the
26 auditing of all books, records and logs of the operator of a
motor truck by the state or province in which the motor
28 truck is registered, which pertains to travel in it and any
other state or province subject to the compact; and

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Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §4206, sub-§1, ¶N, as enacted by PL 1995, c.
32 504, Pt. C, §9, is amended to read:

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N. To make contracts and enter into agreements with and
make assurances and certifications to the Maine Turnpike
36 Authority, and other 3rd parties, necessary in connection
with determination of Department of Transportation projects
38 and the issuance of bonds or obligations pursuant to section
1968, subsection 2-A.; and

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Sec. 3. 23 MRSA §4206, sub-§1, ¶O is enacted to read:

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O. To regularly review all internal department documents
44 for any violation of Title 29-A, chapter 21, subchapter I,
by a department vehicle. The commissioner shall report
46 quarterly to the joint standing committee of the Legislature
having jurisdiction over transportation matters certifying
48 that all department vehicles comply with Title 29-A, chapter
21, subchapter I.

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SUMMARY

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This bill requires the Commissioner of Transportation to regularly review Department of Transportation internal documents for any violation of the highway weight laws and to certify quarterly to the Joint Standing Committee on Transportation that all department vehicles comply with the law.

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