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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
120TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 753, L.D. 972, Bill, "An Act to Provide Specialty Plates for Modified Show Vehicles"

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

'An Act Regarding Modified Show Vehicles'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and before the summary and inserting in its place the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §101, sub-§35-A is enacted to read:

35-A. Modified show vehicle. "Modified show vehicle" means a factory-produced 2-wheel-drive motor vehicle manufactured after 1949 that is equipped with modified components and that qualifies as a modified show vehicle under rules adopted by the Chief of the State Police.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §458-A is enacted to read:

§458-A. Modified show vehicle

1. Fee. The fee for registering a modified show vehicle is the fee established in section 501 for automobiles and pickup trucks or section 504 for commercial motor vehicles, as appropriate.

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2. Rules required. The Chief of the State Police shall adopt rules that establish:

A. Standards to qualify vehicles as modified show vehicles, including, but not limited to, age of the vehicle, equipment specifications and condition and permissible modifications to the vehicle; and

B. Vehicle inspection standards for a modified show vehicle to operate on a public way that demonstrate the vehicle is mechanically safe, in good working order and is not a hazard to the occupant of the vehicle or to the general public.

Rules adopted pursuant to this section are major substantive rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A. The Chief of the State Police shall submit provisionally adopted rules to the Legislature no later than December 15, 2001.'

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

FISCAL NOTE

The State Police program within the Department of Public Safety may incur some minor additional costs to adopt rules pertaining to modified show vehicles. These costs can be absorbed within the department's existing budgeted resources.'

SUMMARY

This amendment defines "modified show vehicle" in the laws governing motor vehicles, establishes the fee for registering a modified show vehicle and specifies that the Chief of the State Police shall adopt rules that establish inspection standards for modified show vehicles. It also adds a fiscal note to the bill.