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No. 1571

An Act To Allow Certain Modifications of Motor Vehicles

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative COLLINS of Wells. Cosponsored by Senator DOW of Lincoln and Representatives: CROSTHWAITE of Ellsworth, GERZOFSKY of Brunswick, GROSE of Woolwich, MARLEY of Portland, O'BRIEN of Lewiston, SMITH of Monmouth, THOMAS of Ripley, TRAHAN of Waldoboro.

| 2 | Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: |
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| 2 | Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1920, sub-§§2 and 3, as enacted by PL 1993, |
| 4 | c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, are amended to read: |
| 6 | 2. Modifications. <u>A vehicle with or without antilock</u> brakes may be modified, including the installation of larger |
| 8 | tires, with proof of an electronic control module or electronic control unit reprogramming or recalibration, when applicable. A |
| 10 | vehicle may not be modified to cause, under normal operation, the vehicle body or chassis to come into contact with the ground, |
| 12 | expose the fuel tank to damage from collision or cause the wheels to come in contact with the body. |
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| | 3. Suspension. An-or-iginal-suspension-system-may-not-be |
| 16 | discenneeted. This section does not prohibit the installation of heavy duty equipment and vehicle-specific engineered systems and |
| 18 | <u>components</u> , including shock absorbers and overload springs, or prohibit a person from operating on a public way a motor vehicle |
| 20 | with normal wear of the suspension system if normal wear does not affect control of the vehicle. |
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| 24 | SUMMARY |
| 26 | This bill provides that a vehicle with or without antilock |
| | brakes may be modified, including the installation of larger |
| 28 | tires, with proof of an electronic control module or electronic control unit reprogramming or recalibration, when applicable. |
| 30 | This bill also permits the installation of vehicle-specific engineered systems and components. |

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