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L.D. 1730

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TRANSPORTATION

Minority

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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
122ND LEGISLATURE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 1238, L.D. 1730, Bill, "An Act To Ensure Business Equity in Commercial Vehicle Registration"

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 §513, sub-§1-A is enacted to read:

1-A. Registration required. Except as provided in subsection 3, special mobile equipment used on public ways, including, but not limited to, equipment that is rented from a location in this State or outside this State, regardless of whether the main office or headquarters of the owner of the equipment is located in this State or outside this State, must be registered in this State in accordance with this chapter.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §513, sub-§3 is enacted to read:

3. Exemption from registration. Special mobile equipment that is used exclusively on the closed portion of a public way for the limited purposes of constructing or repairing that public way and that is transported by another vehicle to and from the construction project is exempt from registration under this chapter. For purposes of this subsection, the special mobile equipment must be operated only within the boundaries of a closed way. Notwithstanding section 1601, the owner or operator of special mobile equipment that is exempt from

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 registration pursuant to this subsection shall maintain the
3 amounts of motor vehicle financial responsibility specified in
4 section 1605.

6 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §513, sub-§2, ¶C,** as enacted by PL 1993, c.
683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

8 C. For Class B special motor mobile equipment, if the gross
9 weight is in excess of 20,000 pounds, the registrant must
10 obtain a permit as required by section 2382, subsection 5.'

12 SUMMARY

14 This amendment, which is the minority report of the Joint
15 Standing Committee on Transportation, replaces the bill.
16 Currently, all special mobile equipment used on public ways must
17 be registered in this State. The amendment clarifies that
18 special mobile equipment that is rented from a location in Maine
19 or outside Maine must be registered in Maine, regardless of the
20 location of the main office or headquarters of the owner of the
21 equipment. The amendment provides that special mobile equipment
22 that is carried by a towing vehicle to a construction project and
23 then used on a public way only to construct or repair that public
24 way is exempt from registration. However, the exempt equipment
25 must be operated only within the boundaries of a closed way. In
26 addition, the owner of special mobile equipment that is exempt
27 from registration must maintain motor vehicle financial
28 responsibility. The amendment also makes a technical correction
29 to the section on special mobile equipment.

32 FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

34 (See attached)



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LD 1730

LR 2472(03)

An Act To Ensure Business Equity in Commercial Vehicle Registration

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "B"

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Minority Report

Fiscal Note

	2005-06	2006-07	Projections 2007-08	Projections 2008-09
Net Cost (Savings)				
Highway Fund	\$0	\$18,580	\$18,580	\$18,580
Revenue				
Highway Fund	\$0	(\$18,580)	(\$18,580)	(\$18,580)

Fiscal Detail and Notes

Beginning in fiscal year 2006-07, exempting certain construction and maintenance vehicles from registration requirements will decrease annual Highway Fund revenue by an estimated \$18,580.