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**STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
129TH LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 161, L.D. 198, Bill, "An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflectors and Lights"

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

'An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflective Tape and Lights'

Amend the bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting the following:

'Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1907, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4. Exceptions. This section does not apply to animal-drawn vehicles or unregistered farm tractors.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1909-C is enacted to read:

§1909-C. Animal-drawn vehicles

An animal-drawn vehicle operated on a public way during nighttime must be equipped with the following:

1. Light. An oil lantern or electric lights attached to the left side of the vehicle that displays a red light toward the rear of the vehicle and a white light toward the front of the vehicle; and

2. Reflective tape. Grade DOT-C2 white reflective tape as described in 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.108, in effect on March 26, 2019, applied to the vehicle as follows:

A. Seventy-two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the rear frame of the vehicle;

1 B. Thirty-six inches of reflective tape on each side of the vehicle, applied in
2 segments that outline the frame on each side with at least 2 segments applied to the
3 upper borders; and

4 C. Forty-two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the front
5 frame of the vehicle.'

6 SUMMARY

7 This amendment expands the scope of the bill to apply to animal-drawn vehicles
8 instead of just horse-drawn carriages. The amendment requires a light to be attached to
9 the left side of the vehicle that displays a red light to the rear and white light to the front;
10 specifies the placement and type of reflective tape required on all sides of the vehicle; and
11 removes the requirement for a reflective triangle to be placed on the rear of the vehicle.
12 The amendment also exempts animal-drawn vehicles from the standard red rear reflector
13 requirement.

14 FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

15 (See attached)



Approved: 04/19/19 *MRC*

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An Act To Require That Nonmotorized Carriages Be Equipped with Reflectors and Lights

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment

A (H-243)

Committee: Transportation

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase - General Fund

Minor revenue increase - Other Special Revenue Funds

Correctional and Judicial Impact Statements

The additional workload associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system does not require additional funding at this time.

The collection of additional fine revenue will increase General Fund and dedicated revenue by minor amounts.