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An Act To Promote Public Safety by Allowing Lighted Signs on Certain Vehicles

Received by the Secretary of the Senate on March 18, 2021. Referred to the Committee on Transportation pursuant to Joint Rule 308.2 and ordered printed.

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DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator CHIPMAN of Cumberland.
Cosponsored by Senators: DIAMOND of Cumberland, FARRIN of Somerset, Representatives:
MARTIN of Sinclair, MARTIN of Greene, O'CONNELL of Brewer, PERKINS of Oakland,
WHITE of Waterville, WILLIAMS of Bar Harbor.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1922, sub-§4, ¶B**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2
3 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 B. On a semitrailer, on the front portion of the semitrailer; ~~and~~

5 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1922, sub-§4, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2
6 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

7 C. On a truck, on the front portion of the storage compartment above and behind the
8 cab; and

9 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §1922, sub-§4, ¶D** is enacted to read:

10 D. On a delivery vehicle, on the roof of the vehicle as long as the only information on
11 the illuminated sign is the name and telephone number of the company providing the
12 delivery. For the purposes of this paragraph, "delivery vehicle" means a motor vehicle
13 used to transport customers or property.

14 **Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §1922, sub-§7**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and
15 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

16 **7. Exception.** This section does not apply to the illuminated name and telephone
17 number identification affixed to vehicles, including the illuminated name and telephone
18 number identification affixed to the roof, for the conveyance of passengers.

19 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill authorizes the display of illuminated signs on delivery vehicles that transport
21 customers or property as long as the only information on the sign is the name and telephone
22 number of the company providing the delivery. It also amends the law to clarify that an
23 illuminated sign with the same information may be affixed to the roof of a vehicle for the
24 conveyance of passengers.