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STATE OF MAINE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
131ST LEGISLATURE
FIRST REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE AMENDMENT “ F ” to COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to H.P. 257,
L.D. 424, “An Act Making Certain Appropriations and Allocations and Changing Certain
Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government”

Amend the amendment by inserting after Part T the following:

PART U

Sec. U-1. 29-A MRSA §451, sub-§4, ¶C, as amended by PL 1997, c. 776, §8, is
further amended to read:

C. On registration plates issued for private use, the word "~~Vacationland~~ Taxationland"
must be centered at the bottom, except, when the Secretary of State determines that for
other than passenger vehicles, that space may be used for class identifiers.

Sec. U-2. 29-A MRSA §451, sub-§4-A, ¶C, as enacted by PL 1997, c. 311, §1, is
amended to read:

C. On registration plates issued for private use and trucks, the word "~~Vacationland~~
Taxationland" must be centered at the bottom in letters not less than 3/4 inch in height,
except, when the Secretary of State determines that for other than passenger vehicles,
that space may be used for class codes.

Sec. U-3. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§1, as amended by PL 2015, c. 206, §4, is further
amended by amending the first blocked paragraph to read:

An automobile or sport utility vehicle used for the conveyance of passengers or property is
a "combination" vehicle and may be issued a special plate with the word "combination"
instead of "~~Vacationland~~ Taxationland." A passenger vehicle used under contract with the
State, a municipality or a school district to transport students must be designated as
"combination." A vehicle owned or operated by parents or legal guardians is exempt from
this subsection.

Sec. U-4. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§11, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 397, §3, is
amended to read:

11. Low-speed vehicles. The Secretary of State may issue a registration for a low-
speed vehicle upon application and payment of an annual fee of \$25. The registrant must
provide a certificate of title required by section 651, proof of financial responsibility

1 required by section 1601 and evidence of payment of the excise tax required by Title 36,
2 section 1482. A low-speed vehicle registered under this section is issued a registration plate
3 with the word "low-speed" instead of "~~Vacationland~~ Taxationland." The Secretary of State
4 may issue a facsimile plate for a 60-day period.

5 **Sec. U-5. 29-A MRSA §501, sub-§13**, as enacted by PL 2019, c. 345, §3, is
6 amended to read:

7 **13. Autocycles.** The Secretary of State may issue a registration for an autocycle upon
8 application and payment of an annual fee of \$21. The registrant must provide a certificate
9 of title required by section 651, proof of financial responsibility required by section 1601
10 and evidence of payment of the excise tax as required by Title 36, section 1482, subsection
11 1, paragraph C. An autocycle registered under this section is issued a registration plate
12 with the word "autocycle" instead of "~~Vacationland~~ Taxationland." The Secretary of State
13 may issue a facsimile plate for a 60-day period.'

14 Amend the amendment by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or
15 section number to read consecutively.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This amendment changes the designation on vehicle registration plates from
18 "Vacationland" to "Taxationland."

19 **SPONSORED BY:** Laurel Libby

20 (Representative LIBBY, L.)

21 **TOWN:** Auburn

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED
(See attached)

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131st MAINE LEGISLATURE

LD 424

LR 1170(09)

**An Act Making Certain Appropriations and Allocations and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law
Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government**

Fiscal Note for House Amendment "F" to Committee Amendment "A" (H-20)

Sponsor: Rep. Libby of Auburn

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

Fiscal Note

Potential current biennium cost increase - Highway Fund

Fiscal Detail and Notes

If the intent is to change all license plates immediately, the cost could be significant. However, if the intent is to phase in the change over time, the cost may not be significant. No cost estimate is made at this time.