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H. P. 93 House of Representatives, January 16, 1951. Referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Jones of Bowdoinham.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Signals for Stopping and Turning Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 19, §§ 107-A, 107-B, 107-C, additional. Chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto 3 new sections to be numbered 107-A, 107-B and 107-C, to read as follows:

'Sec. 107-A. Turning movements and required signals. No person shall turn a vehicle at an intersection unless the vehicle is in proper position upon the roadway as required in section 107, or turn a vehicle to enter a private road or driveway or otherwise turn a vehicle from a direct course, or move right or left upon a roadway unless and until such movement can be made with reasonable safety. No person shall so turn any vehicle without giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided in this section and sections 107-B and 107-C in the event any other traffic may be affected by such movement.

A signal of intention to turn right or left when required shall be given continuously during not less than the last 100 feet traveled by the vehicle before turning.

No person shall stop or suddenly decrease the speed of a vehicle without first giving an appropriate signal in the manner provided by this section and sections 107-B and 107-C to the driver of any vehicle immediately to the rear when there is opportunity to give such signal.

Sec. 107-B. Signals by hand and arm or signal device. Any stop or turn signal when required as provided in section 107-A shall be given either by means of the hand and arm or by a signal lamp or lamps or mechanical signal device but when a vehicle is so constructed or loaded that a hand and arm signal would not be visible both to the front and rear of such vehicle then said signals must be given by such a lamp or lamps or signal device.

Sec. 107-C. Method of giving hand and arm signals. All signals required by section 107-A given by hand and arm shall be given from the left side of the vehicle in the following manner and such signals shall indicate as follows:

- I. Left turn—hand and arm extended horizontally;
- II. Right turn—hand and arm extended upward;
- III. Stop or decrease speed-hand and arm extended downward.'