

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 98th LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1118, L.D. 1626, Bill, "An Act Relating to Penalties on Maine Turnpike."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the Title thereof, the following Emergency Preamble:

'Emergency preamble. Whereas, Chapter 69 of the Private and Special Laws of 1941 which created the Maine Turnpike Authority provided that the Authority may make rules and regulations with reference to motor vehicles over the Turnpike; and

Whereas, such Chapter 69 provided that any violation of the rules and regulations would be a misdemeanor and would be punishable by a fine of not exceeding \$10; and

Whereas, it is necessary that violations on the Maine Turnpike be punishable as nearly as possible in conformity with violations on Maine's highway system; and

Whereas, the following legislation is essential to bring about such conformity and provide that the courts may impose a penalty more nearly in keeping with severity of the offense; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,'

Further amend said Bill by inserting before the Summary Statement, the following Emergency Clause:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out of Sec. 19 in said Bill "\$50" and inserting thereof '\$20!

Reported by the Committee on Judiciary.

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