

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, October 28, 1957

Referred to the Committee on Highways, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Carpenter of Somerset.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Area Directional Signs.

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

**R. S., c. 23, § 149-A, amended.** Section 149-A of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 419 of the public laws of 1957, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 149-A. Area directional signs.** In order to guide the users of the state turnpike system to the exit leading therefrom to the § 9 major recreational areas of the State, there shall be erected and maintained at strategic points on the right-of-way beside the lanes of traffic approaching the said exits, separate descriptive and directional signs of such design that each sign will be conspicuous and readable when traveling at the maximum lawful speed. The State Highway Commission shall erect and maintain said signs on the state constructed and maintained interstate system and the Maine Turnpike Authority shall erect and maintain said signs on the highways constructed by said Authority; and said State and Authority shall cause the wording of said signs to be sufficiently descriptive of the area to identify it clearly to the traveling public.

The § 9 major recreational areas of the State are:

- I. Kittery to Portland Beaches;
- II. Sebago Lake-Bridgton;
- III. Coastal Route One (Falmouth exit);
- IV. Belgrade & Rangeley Lakes Region;

**V.** Mid-Coastal Area (Route 3—Augusta to Belfast);

**VI.** Moosehead Lake Region;

**VII.** Katahdin Park Area & Aroostook County;

**VIII.** Hancock & Washington County Coastal Areas, including Bar Harbor and Passamaquoddy;

**IX.** U. S. Routes 201-201A, Arnold Highway direct to Quebec, through Kennebec Valley and Jackman region.

In the absence of a specific recreational area, the State Highway Commission on the State constructed and maintained interstate system and the Maine Turnpike Authority on the highways constructed by said Authority may erect, situated near an exit, suitable signs at the exit designating motel, hotel and restaurant areas.'