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STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 99th LEGISLATURE

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 401, L. D. 1169, Bill, "An Act Relating to Outdoor Advertising Devices on the Interstate System."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

'Sec. 2. Legislative intent. By Title 23 U. S. Code, Section 131, Congress has passed certain legislation authorizing restrictions on outdoor advertising on that portion of the interstate system acquired after July 1, 1956, providing there is complementary state legislation. The federal funds, however, that are to be available to the states thereunder have not been provided for in the 1959 and 1960 federal budget. In addition, there are now pending in both houses of Congress bills to amend said federal law, particularly in reference to advertising in the commercial, business and industrial areas adjacent to said system. It is inadvisable that final state legislation be passed unless it conforms with the final federal legislation. It appears that federal funds will not be available to the State until the next Legislature. Pending any legislation that may be passed at the next Legislature, it is advisable that restrictions be made limiting such advertising in the rural areas adjacent to said system.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following section:

'Sec. 3. Interim restrictions. Prior to the effective date of laws enacted by the 100th Legislature, no person shall erect or maintain in the rural areas within 660 feet of the nearest right-of-way boundary line of any portion of the interstate system, the right-of-way of which was acquired after July 1, 1956, any advertising sign, structure or device, except official signs and on-premise signs.'

Filed by Mrs. Kilroy of Portland.

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