

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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lighting system and must be in operation at all times when the vehicle is used for plowing snow on public ways.

(4) A vehicle equipped and used for plowing snow on other than public ways may be equipped with an auxiliary rotary flashing light that must be mounted on top of the vehicle in such a manner as to emit an amber beam of light over a 360° angle, or an amber strobe, or combination of strobes, that emits at a minimum a beam of 50 candlepower and provides visible light coverage over a 360° range. However, the vehicle must be equipped with and must use such a light whenever the vehicle enters a public way while in the course of plowing private driveways and other off-highway locations. The light may be in use on a public way only when the vehicle is entering the public way in the course of plowing private driveways and other off-highway locations.

(5) A rural mail vehicle may be equipped with auxiliary lights.

(a) The lights used to the front must be white or amber, or any shade between white and amber.

(b) The lights used to the rear must be amber or red, or any shade between amber and red.

(c) The lights, whether used to the front or rear, must be mounted at the same level and as widely spaced laterally as possible.

(d) The lights, whether used to the front or rear, must flash simultaneously.

(e) The lights must be visible from a distance of at least 500 feet under normal atmospheric conditions at night.

(6) A vehicle used or provided by a contract security company to assist in traffic control and direction at construction or maintenance sites on a public way may be equipped with auxiliary lights. Effective July 1, 1996, the auxiliary lights must be amber. Prior to July 1, 1996, the auxiliary lights must be green or amber.

(7) A Department of Public Safety vehicle operated by a motor carrier inspector may

be equipped with auxiliary lights that emit an amber light.

(8) A vehicle used by an animal control officer appointed pursuant to Title 7, section 3947 may be equipped with auxiliary lights that emit a flashing amber light.

(9) A refuse, garbage or trash business vehicle used by an individual to transport refuse, garbage and trash may be equipped with auxiliary lights that emit a flashing amber light.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 16

### H.P. 186 - L.D. 247

#### An Act To Limit Terms for Members of the State Board of Education

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

**Sec. 1. 20-A MRSA §401, sub-§4,** as amended by PL 1987, c. 851, §4, is further amended to read:

**4. Term.** The term of office of each member ~~shall be is~~ 5 years. ~~Any vacancy shall~~ A person may not serve more than any 2 5-year terms. A vacancy must be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term. The state board shall promulgate rules in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, Title 5, chapter 375, which establishes the procedure and criteria by which the state board may recommend to the Governor the removal of a member from office prior to completion of the term of appointment for failure to perform the duties of office.

**Sec. 2. Application.** This Act applies with the beginning of the new appointments by the Governor at the expiration of the current board members' terms of office.

See title page for effective date.

## CHAPTER 17

### S.P. 50 - L.D. 144

#### An Act To Redefine the Boundaries of the Fairfield Sanctuary

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