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(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 in normal daylight.

(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 amber auxiliary lights.

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

(10) A vehicle used by an individual to transport and deliver newspapers may be equipped with auxiliary lights that emit a flashing amber light.

**Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2054, sub-§2, ¶G,** as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

G. A vehicle may be equipped with a spotlight. Only spotlights on authorized emergency vehicles, highway maintenance vehicles and public utility service vehicles may be used on a public way, except any vehicle may use a spotlight in cases of necessity when other lights required by law fail to operate.

**Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §2054, sub-§9,** as amended by PL 2007, c. 348, §20, is further amended to read:

**9. Stationary vehicles.** The operator of a vehicle passing a stationary authorized emergency vehicle using an emergency light or a stationary wrecker <u>public service vehicle</u> using its authorized lights, with due regard to the safety and traffic conditions, shall:

A. Pass in a lane not adjacent to that of the authorized emergency vehicle or wrecker public service vehicle, if possible; or

B. If passing in a nonadjacent lane is impossible or unsafe, pass the emergency vehicle or wrecker <u>public service vehicle</u> at a careful and prudent speed reasonable for passing the authorized emergency vehicle or wrecker <u>public service vehicle</u> safely. A violation of this subsection is a traffic infraction for which a minimum fine of \$250 must be adjudged.

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### CHAPTER 33

### S.P. 196 - L.D. 527

#### An Act To Repeal Outdated Agricultural Aviation Laws

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

Sec. 1. 6 MRSA §151, as amended by PL 1995, c. 504, Pt. B, §10, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

#### §151. Agricultural aviation

A person may not conduct agricultural operations inconsistent with Federal Air Regulation, Part 137.

A person may operate aircraft from a limited-use landing area for the purposes of conducting agricultural operations if the permission of the owner of the limited-use landing area has been obtained.

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### CHAPTER 34

#### H.P. 261 - L.D. 395

#### An Act To Clarify Storm Water Management Standards for Expansions of Existing Projects

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §420-D, sub-§7, ¶I is enacted to read:

I. An existing project that is expanded does not require review pursuant to this section for the existing portion of the project as long as the existing portion met all applicable state and municipal standards for storm water management in effect at the time the existing portion was constructed. This exemption does not apply to:

(1) An existing project that is expanded if the existing storm water management system will be used, in whole or in part, to treat storm water flowing from the expanded portion of the existing project;

(2) The expanded portion of the existing project; or