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STATE OF MAINE

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

Transportation

BILL SUMMARY



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Office of Legislative Assistants State House, Station 13 Augusta, Maine 04333 (207) 289-2486 1540 AN ACT TO PERMIT THE USE OF DOW ENACT.

MODULATING HEADLIGHTS ON

MOTORCYCLES

SUMMARY: Authorizes motorcycles to be equipped with modulating headlamps during day light hours.

1547 AN ACT RELATING TO HAZARDOUS MCHenry HELD IN COMTEMATERIAL SUBJ OF STUDY
ORDER FOR OFFSESSION

SUMMARY: Proposed to authorize the Commissioner of Transportation to establish a program to control the transportation of hazardous materials consistent with federal regulations. Existing federal requirements on transportation of hazardous materials apply to common carriers, but many private carriers carrying similar hazardous substances are not subject to federal rule.

1563 AN ACT PERTAINING TO DIRECTIONS Ingraham ENACT. PL 323 FROM INTERSTATE 95 TO THE MARITIME PROVINCES

SUMMARY: See LD 111.

1576 AN ACT TO SUSPEND OPERATION Higgins, L. ENACT. PL 334
AUTHORITY ON MOTOR VEHICLES WHICH
FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE GASOLINE
REPORTING LAW

SUMMARY: Please refer to LD 1140.

1600 AN ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATION AND Holloway ENACT. PL 361 INSPECTION OF MOTOR TRUCKS USE FOR FISHING

SUMMARY: See LD 516.

1601 AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR ANNUAL MOTOR Kany ENACT. VEHICLE INSPECTIONS

SUMMARY: LD 1601, a redraft of LD 24 provides for the annual inspection of motor vehicles. The cost of the inspection has been raised from \$3 to \$5, and the cost of the inspection stickers to the inspection station owner has been increased from \$.25 to \$.50 each. In addition, the fenders of vehicles are required to completely cover vehicle tires to prevent tires from throwing stones to the rear. The bill also establishes a minimum standard for farm vehicle tires, a better tire tread standard for all other vehicles, a provision for recertification of motor vehicle inspection mechanics within 1 yr following expiration of their certificate, a provision for certification of fleet inspection stations solely responsible for the maintenance of 10 or more vehicles, and recognizes validity of current inspection certificates from other states.