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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE
BILL SUMMARIES
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ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE SECOND REGULAR SESSION

JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

TRANSPORTATION

BILL SUMMARY



MAY, 1984

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AN ACT DESIGNATING CERTAIN HIGHWAYS AS STATE HIGHWAYS

SPONSOR Martin,J. (Committee Report)
DISPOSITION
LV/WD

SUMMARY: LD 1811 proposed to classify as a state highway, any road which leads to a state owned, operated, or managed facility or site. The intent of the bill was to require the Maine Department of Transportation to maintain the road in Masardis leading to a farm owned by the Maine Department of Agriculture and which is used very little by residents of the town. An agreement was reached by the DOT and the Department of Agriculture for maintenance of the road.

The DOT did a very cursory survey of some roads that would meet the conditions of the bill. The cursory survey showed 341 miles at an annual cost of \$1,000,000. A more thorough analysis could change these figures.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR
SPECIAL MOTOR VEHICLE LICENSE
PLATES IN OBSERVANCE OF THE
BICENTENNIAL OF THE TOWN OF
SHAPLEIGH

Ridley OTP-ND

See LD 2289

SUMMARY: LD 1888 proposed to allow the Shapleigh Bicentennial Committee to design, distribute, and sell commemorative motor vehicle plates to any person. The plates could be displayed on the front of the vehicle.

Opponents to the bill cited the following:

- 1. There is no limit to the number of bicentennial plates that could be issued,
- 2. The bill could effectively make the State a one-registration plate state,
- 3. This would establish a precedent, and between 1985 and 1999, 76 towns will celebrate a bicentennial anniversary. The City of Portland will celebrate its bicentennial in 1986 and could issue 1,000,000 plates for every vehicle in the State.

LD 1888 was passed in new draft in the form of a Resolve, LD 2289.