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BILL SUMMARIES



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This document is a compilation of the bill summaries prepared by this office for the Joint Standing Committees of the Maine Legislature, covering the First Regular Session of the 112th Legislature. The summaries are arranged by LD number and indexed separately by committee.

LD: 84 AN ACT TO PERMIT A VEHICLE TO BE REGISTERED MOPHERSON  
EMERGENCY FOR THE GROSS WEIGHT ALLOWED BY A PERMIT UNDER  
THE MOTOR VEHICLE LAWS

OIP-AM HOUSE Emerg. Enacted PUBLIC  
SENATE Emerg. Enacted CH # 18  
GOV EMER SIGNED  
H-005 CA H S  
H-006 HA THERIAULT H S

SUMMARY:

This law addresses a problem Maine truckers were experiencing carrying especially heavy objects over public ways in other states. Massachusetts, in particular, was fining Maine truckers for overweight violations, even though those loads were legally carried in accordance with Title 29, section 1703. With the enactment of this provision as an emergency, the gross weight allowed by a special overweight permit shall be deemed the registered weight of the vehicle.

LD: 89 AN ACT REQUIRING PROTECTIVE HEADGEAR FOR ALL DANTON  
MOTORCYCLE, MOTOR DRIVEN CYCLE AND MOPED NELSON  
RIDERS BUSTIN  
CARROLL

ONTP HOUSE Accepted Committee Report  
SENATE Accepted Committee Report  
GOV  
S-121 CA MIN REP

SUMMARY:

This proposal attempted to mandate wearing of protective headgear, helmets, for operators of motorcycles or mopeds. The Legislature finally attempted a committee amendment which requires motorcycle operators to wear protective headgear for 2 years after passing their driving tests and, during that 2-year time frame, passengers riding with those operators must also wear protective headgear.