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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON

TRANSPORTATION

BILL SUMMARY



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JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE BILL SUMMARIES JUNE 1987

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All Adopted Amendments are listed, by paper number (e.g., H-584 or S-222), together with the sponsor if it is a floor amendment or the designation "COMMITTEE" if it is a committee amendment.

Final action for each bill is listed to the right of the title. If final House action and Senate action differ, both are listed.

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Key to Committee Reports and Floor Action:

OTP Ought to Pass
OTP-ND Ought to Pass in New Draft
OTP-ND-NT Ought to Pass in New Draft, New Title
OTP-A Ought to Pass as Amended
ONTP Ought Not to Pass
LVWD Leave to Withdraw
INDEF PP Indefinitely Postponed

LD 878

Sponsor: MCPHERSON, Estes, Swazey, Rolde

Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The bill adds 2 bridges to the list of bridges with historic significance, Sewall's Bridge in York and Waldo-Hancock Bridge in Prospect-Verona. These additions were nominated for inclusion by the Commissioner of Transportation.

AN ACT TO MAKE TECHNICAL ADJUSTMENTS TO THE TRUCK OVERWEIGHT LAW.

PL 1987 c. 108 EMERGENCY

Sponsor: MCPHERSON, Pouliot, Theriault, Cahill Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: The bill brings Maine into conformity with federal requirements concerning minimum fines for trucks which are over weight. It makes the minimum fine \$20. There was a threatened loss of highway funds unless Maine was brought in conformity with the interstate truck weight enforcement laws.

LD AN ACT TO AMEND THE EXPERIMENTAL VEHICLE LAW.
881

PL 1987 c. 109

Sponsor: MOHOLLAND, McPherson, Mills, Harper Committee Report: OTP

SUMMARY: Under present statute the Commissioner of Transportation may issue experimental vehicle permits "over any nonlimited way or bridge maintained by the Department of Transportation." The bill eliminates the restriction that the way or bridge must be maintained by the Department of Transportation and allows the experimental vehicle to use, at the commissioner's discretion, on any public way.