**An Act To Allow Signs in a Public Right-of-way To Be Removed by the Landowner**

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

**Sec.** **1. 23 MRSA §1917-B,** as enacted by PL 2015, c. 403, §6, is amended to read:

**§****1917-B.** **Unlawful removal of temporary signs**

A person who takes, defaces or disturbs a sign placed within the public right-of-way in accordance with section 1913‑A, subsection 1, paragraph L commits a civil violation for which a fine of up to $250 may be adjudged. This section does not apply to a person authorized to remove signs placed within the public right-of-way in accordance with section 1913‑A, subsection 1, paragraph L. This section does not apply to an owner of land adjacent to a public right-of-way within which a temporary sign has been placed.

**SUMMARY**

This bill provides that an owner of land adjacent to a public right-of-way within which a temporary sign has been placed does not commit a civil violation for taking, defacing or disturbing the temporary sign.