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House of Representatives, February 10, 2021

**An Act To Remove the Authorization for Temporary Signs To Be  
Placed in the Public Right-of-way**

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ROBERT B. HUNT  
Clerk

Presented by Representative ORDWAY of Standish.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§1, ¶G**, as amended by PL 2015, c. 403, §4, is  
3 further amended to read:

4 G. Hand-held signs not affixed to the ground or buildings; and

5 **Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§1, ¶I**, as amended by PL 2015, c. 403, §4, is  
6 further amended to read:

7 I. Adopt-A-Highway Program signs allowed under section 1117; ~~and~~

8 **Sec. 3. 23 MRSA §1913-A, sub-§1, ¶L**, as amended by PL 2019, c. 594, §1, is  
9 repealed.

10 **Sec. 4. 23 MRSA §1913-B** is enacted to read:

11 **§1913-B. Temporary signs**

12 A person may not place, and the Department of Transportation may not issue a license  
13 or permit for, a temporary sign within the public right-of-way.

14 **Sec. 5. 23 MRSA §1917-B**, as enacted by PL 2015, c. 403, §6, is repealed.

15 **SUMMARY**

16 This bill removes the authorization for a person to place a temporary sign in the public  
17 right-of-way. It also removes the civil violation that currently applies to persons who take,  
18 deface or disturb such signs.