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An Act To Allow State Vehicles Assigned to Maine Emergency Management Agency Employees To Be Used for Commuting

Submitted by the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management pursuant to Joint Rule 204.

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative WARREN of Hallowell.

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

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §7-B, first ¶, as amended by PL 2019, c. 578, §2, is further amended to read:

A state-owned or state-leased vehicle may not be used by any employee to commute between home and work, except for those vehicles authorized and assigned to employees of the Baxter State Park Authority and of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Military Bureau and Maine Emergency Management Agency as designated by the Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management and to law enforcement officials within the following organizational units: Bureau of State Police; Maine Drug Enforcement Agency; Office of the State Fire Marshal; the division within the Department of Public Safety designated by the Commissioner of Public Safety to enforce the law relating to the manufacture, importation, storage, transportation and sale of all liquor and to administer those laws relating to licensing and collection of taxes on malt liquor and wine; Bureau of Motor Vehicles; Bureau of Marine Patrol; the forest protection unit within the Bureau of Forestry; Bureau of Warden Service; Bureau of Parks and Lands; and the Office of Chief Medical Examiner, the investigation division and the Medicaid fraud control unit within the Office of the Attorney General.

SUMMARY

This bill allows an employee of the Department of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management, Maine Emergency Management Agency to use a state-owned or state-leased vehicle to commute between home and work if so designated by the Commissioner of Defense, Veterans and Emergency Management.