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Stephen Landry, State Traffic Engineer
Maine Department of Transportation
16 State House Station
Augusta ME 04333-0016

Re: Submission of provisional rule for legislative review

Dear Mr. Landry:

This letter is to acknowledge our receipt of the major substantive rule provisionally adopted by the Department of Transportation and related materials filed pursuant to 5 MRSA §8072, sub-§2. They were received on October 5, 2020. The provisional rule is entitled: "Chapter 305: Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Traffic Movements," and is authorized pursuant to 23 MRSA §704-A, sub-§9.

We have reviewed the filing and have concluded it is sufficiently complete for the purposes of beginning the review process and that the rule was filed within the legislative rule acceptance period as defined in 5 MRSA §8071-A, sub-§2. We will hold the rule until the Legislature convenes in regular session in January 2021, at which time the Legislature will review and act upon the rule. Please be advised that the department may not finally adopt or implement the rule until the Legislature has completed its review.

A legislative resolve will be prepared and introduced in the House of Representatives to allow for legislative review and action upon the provisionally adopted rule. Once the resolve has been referred to the legislative committee having jurisdiction, the committee will review the rule at a meeting called for that purpose. As part of the review the committee may ask agency representatives to appear before it to explain certain provisions of the rule or answer questions. In addition the committee may request additional information from the agency that may assist the committee in its review.