**An Act to Require Manure Bags for Horse-drawn Vehicles**

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

**Sec.** **1. 29-A MRSA §1909-C,** as enacted by PL 2019, c. 170, §2, is repealed.

**Sec.** **2. 29-A MRSA §1909-D** is enacted to read:

**§****1909-D.** **Animal-drawn vehicles**

This section governs the required equipment for certain animal‑drawn vehicles operated on a public way.

**1.** **Nighttime equipment.**  An animal‑drawn vehicle operated on a public way during nighttime must be equipped with the following:

A. An oil lantern or electric lights attached to the left side of the vehicle that displays a red light toward the rear of the vehicle and a white light toward the front of the vehicle; and

B. Grade DOT‑C2 white reflective tape as described in 49 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 571.108, in effect on March 26, 2019, applied to the vehicle as follows:

(1) Seventy‑two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the rear frame of the vehicle;

(2) Thirty‑six inches of reflective tape on each side of the vehicle, applied in segments that outline the frame on each side with at least 2 segments applied to the upper borders of the frame; and

(3) Forty‑two inches of reflective tape applied in segments that outline the front frame of the vehicle.

**2.** **Manure bags.**  A horse-drawn vehicle operated on a public way must be equipped with manure bags of sufficient capacity to hold the amount of manure produced by each horse in one day. The operator of a horse-drawn vehicle may not empty a manure bag at a location other than the location where the horse is stabled.

**SUMMARY**

This bill requires a horse-drawn vehicle operated on a public way to be equipped with manure bags of sufficient capacity to hold the amount of manure produced by each horse in one day. It prohibits the operator of a horse-drawn vehicle from emptying a manure bag at a location other than the location where the horse is stabled.