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House of Representatives, January 18, 1961

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Stewart of Presque Isle.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
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**AN ACT Repealing Reckless Homicide Statute.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 151, repealed and replaced.** Section 151 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 333 of the public laws of 1957, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof :

**'Sec. 151. Manslaughter; license to be revoked.** The license of any person to operate a motor vehicle, who, as the result of operating a motor vehicle in such a manner as to cause the death of any person, shall be convicted of the crime of manslaughter, shall be revoked immediately by the Secretary of State upon receipt of an attested copy of the court records, without further hearing. In case of an appeal the license shall be suspended during the course of the appeal and the revocation start when and if the conviction is upheld. No person whose license or permit to operate a motor vehicle has been revoked upon such conviction of manslaughter shall be licensed again or permitted to operate a motor vehicle for a period of 5 years from the time such license is revoked, or, by this section, should have been revoked. For the purposes of this section and of section 150, a person shall be deemed to have been convicted if he pleaded guilty or nolo contendere or was adjudged or found guilty by a court of competent jurisdiction, whether or not he was placed on probation without sentence or under a suspended sentence or the case was placed on file or on special docket.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 151-B, repealed.** Section 151-B of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 2 of chapter 333 of the public laws of 1957, is repealed.