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An Act To Make Failure To Wear a Seat Belt a Primary Offense

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator SAVAGE of Knox.

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2081, sub-§4, ¶E, as amended by PL 1997, c. 450, §3 and affected by §5, is repealed.

SUMMARY

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5 Current law prohibits the enforcement of the seat belt law unless the driver has been 6 stopped for a violation of another law.

7 This bill repeals that prohibition, allowing a police officer to detain and cite a vehicle 8 operator or passenger 18 years of age or older solely for failing to wear a seat belt.