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ized emergency vehicle from the duty to drive with due regard for the safety of all persons, nor do those subsections protect the operator from the consequences of the operator's reckless disregard for the safety of others.

Sec. 6. 29 MRSA §1362, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1989, c. 32, §2, is further amended to read:

No signaling device may be unnecessarily sounded nor any braking or acceleration unnecessarily made so as to cause a harsh, objectionable or unreasonable noise. ~~No bell or siren may be installed or used on any motor vehicle, except that fire and police department vehicles and ambulances and vehicles operated by state, city and town fire inspectors, city and town fire chiefs, assistant fire chiefs, police chiefs and assistant police chiefs may be so equipped for use only when responding to emergency calls; motor vehicles used by forest rangers or personnel engaged in forest fire control as may be designated by the Department of Conservation; motor vehicles used by sheriffs and deputy sheriffs; motor vehicles used by inland fisheries and game wardens as may be designated by the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; motor vehicles used by coastal wardens as may be designated by the Department of Marine Resources; motor vehicles used by United States Government law enforcement officials; motor vehicles used by a state or municipal department which controls or supervises electrical alarm and communication systems may be so equipped for use as provided by law; and motor vehicles used by corrections personnel as may be designated by the Department of Corrections may be so equipped for use only when responding to committed offender escapes or performing high security transfers of committed offenders.~~

Sec. 7. 29 MRSA §1367-B, as amended by PL 1991, c. 61, §1, is repealed.

Sec. 8. 29 MRSA §1461 is repealed.

Sec. 9. 29 MRSA §1462, as amended by PL 1991, c. 61, §§2 and 3, is repealed.

Sec. 10. 29 MRSA §1463 is repealed.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 445

H.P. 1101 - L.D. 1600

An Act to Increase the Penalty for Failure to Secure a Child with a Seat Belt

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

29 MRSA §1368-C, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1987, c. 245, is amended to read:

4. Penalty. ~~Following the initial 6-month warning period, violation~~ Violation of this section is a civil violation for which a forfeiture of \$25 for the first violation and ~~\$50~~ **\$200** for each subsequent violation may be adjudged.

See title page for effective date.

CHAPTER 446

H.P. 552 - L.D. 789

An Act to Improve Grading and Inspection of Maine Sardines

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the sardine season begins in June and the financial and administrative changes contained in this legislation should be in effect before the season commences; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

PART A

Sec. A-1. 32 MRSA §4151, as amended by PL 1985, c. 737, Pt. A, §89, is repealed.

Sec. A-2. 32 MRSA §4152, as amended by PL 1989, c. 503, Pt. B, §143, is repealed.

Sec. A-3. 32 MRSA §4155, as amended by PL 1979, c. 62, §2, is repealed.

Sec. A-4. 32 MRSA §4156, as amended by PL 1983, c. 85, §1, is repealed.

Sec. A-5. 32 MRSA §4157, as amended by PL 1989, c. 639, §1, is repealed.

Sec. A-6. 32 MRSA §4157-A, as amended by PL 1989, c. 639, §2, is repealed.

Sec. A-7. 32 MRSA §4158 is repealed.

Sec. A-8. 32 MRSA §4159, as repealed and replaced by PL 1989, c. 482, §2, is reallocated to 12 MRSA §6547.