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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE

AN ACT Providing for Safety Seat Belts for Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 22, §§ 38-A - 38-B, additional. Chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 2 new sections, to be numbered 38-A and 38-B, to read as follows:

'**Sec. 38-A. Safety seat belts in new vehicles.** It is unlawful for any person to buy, sell, lease, trade or transfer from or to Maine residents at retail an automobile, which is manufactured or assembled commencing with the 1964 models, unless such vehicle is equipped with safety belts installed for use in the left front and right front seats thereof.

Sec. 38-B. Approved types of seat belts; enforcement. All such safety belts must be of a type and must be installed in a manner approved by the Chief of the State Police. The Chief of the State Police shall establish specifications and requirements for approved types of safety belts and attachments thereto. The Chief of the State Police will accept, as approved, all seat belt installations and the belt and anchor meeting the society of automotive engineers' specifications. No new passenger motor vehicle shall be registered unless it is equipped with an approved type of safety seat belt. The Secretary of State shall suspend the registration of any such motor vehicle not so equipped until it is made to conform to the requirements of this section.'