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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 Automobiles and School Busses.

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 a passenger automobile or school bus, which is manufactured or assembled commencing with the 1964 models, unless such passenger automobile is equipped with safety seat belts installed for use in the left front and right front seats thereof and such school bus is equipped with safety belts installed for use in all seats.

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 automobile or school bus shall be registered unless it is equipped with an approved type of safety seat belt.'