

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD LEGISLATURE

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BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Richardson of Cumberland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-SEVEN

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### AN ACT Relating to the Reporting of Traffic Accidents.

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

**R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended.** The 3rd paragraph of section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 311 of the public laws of 1965, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injuries to or death of any person or property damage to the estimated amount of \$100 or more, or some person acting for him, or the owner of said vehicle having knowledge of the accident should the operator of same be unknown, shall, immediately by the quickest means of communication, give notice of the accident either to the nearest state police field office, or to the sheriff's office within the county wherein the accident occurred, or to the office of the police department of the municipality wherein the accident occurred. Every such notice received by any such office or department shall be promptly investigated. The investigating officer shall make a record of his investigation which shall be filed in the office. The lack of a record of investigation shall be prima facie evidence that a notice of the accident was not given. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both.