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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Permitting Medical Laboratory Technicians to Administer Blood
Tests to Determine Alcoholic Content.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 1312, sub-§ 7, amended. The last sentence of sub-
section 7 of section 1312 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed
and replaced by section 1 of chapter 439 of the public laws of 1969, is amended
to read as follows:

A duly licensed physician, **medical laboratory technician** or registered nurse,
acting at the request of a law enforcement officer with the consent of the
defendant, may collect specimens of blood only for the purpose of determining
the alcoholic content therein.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 1312, sub-§ 8, amended. The first sentence of sub-
section 8 of section 1312 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as last repealed
and replaced by section 1 of chapter 439 of the public laws of 1969, is amended
to read as follows:

No physician, **medical laboratory technician**, registered nurse, or person cer-
tified by the Department of Health and Welfare, shall be held liable in dam-
ages or otherwise for any act done or omitted to be done in performing the
act of collecting or withdrawing specimens of blood at the request of a law
enforcement officer pursuant to this section.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to permit blood tests in certain motor vehicle
violations to be administered by medical laboratory technicians in addition
to physicians and registered nurses.