

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 185

H. P. 130

House of Representatives, January 14, 1971

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Churchill of Orland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

**AN ACT Providing for Immunity to Licensed Ambulance Service Personnel
in Emergency Cases.**

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

R. S., T. 32, § 65, additional. Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

§ 65. Immunity to licensed ambulance service personnel

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of any general, special or local law, any person who is licensed for ambulance service in the State of Maine and who voluntarily without the expectation of monetary compensation from the person aided or treated renders first aid, initial emergency medical procedure or emergency treatment to a person who is unconscious, ill or injured shall not be liable for damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by such person or for damages for the death of such person alleged to have occurred by reason of an act or omission in the rendering of such first aid, initial emergency medical aid procedure or emergency treatment unless it is established that such injuries were or such death was caused willfully, wantonly or by gross negligence on the part of such person. This section shall not exempt such a licensed person from negligence while operating a motor vehicle.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide for immunity to licensed ambulance service personnel when they render first aid assistance to persons in emergency cases.