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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Reporting of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended. The first sentence of the 3rd paragraph of section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 311 of the public laws of 1965, is amended to read as follows:

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 a state police officer, or to the nearest state police field office, or to the sheriff's office, or to a deputy sheriff, within the county wherein the accident occurred, or to the office of the police department, or to an officer, of the municipality wherein the accident occurred.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended. Section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by inserting after the first sentence of the 3rd paragraph the following new sentence:

The absence of notice having been given to the nearest state police field office and to the sheriff's office within the county wherein the accident occurred and the office of the police department of the municipality wherein the accident occurred shall be deemed prima facie evidence of a violation of this section.