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#### ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

### Legislative Document

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H. P. 992 House of Representatives, March 5, 1971 Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner.

### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE

## AN ACT Relating to Reports of Accidents in Parking Areas of Shopping Centers.

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., T. 29, § 1, sub-§ 9-A, additional. Section 1 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding a new subsection 9-A to read as follows:
- 9-A. Parking areas of shopping centers. The "parking areas of shopping centers" shall mean the area or areas of private property totaling at least one acre, near or contiguous to and provided in connection with premises having one or more stores or business establishments, used by the public for the free parking of motor vehicles of customers and patrons of such stores and business establishments, including entrances and exits of the parking area or areas.
- Sec. 2. R. S., T. 29, § 891, amended. The first sentence of section 891 of Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The Chief of the State Police shall prepare and shall supply to police and sheriffs' offices and other suitable agencies forms of accident reports calling for sufficiently detailed information to disclose, with reference to a highway accident or accident on parking areas of shopping centers, the cause, conditions then existing and the persons and vehicles involved.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to require the reporting of motor vehicle accidents occurring in parking areas of shopping centers of the State.