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ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1216

H. P. 916 House of Representatives, March 1, 1973 Speaker laid before the House and on Motion of Mr. Simpson of Standish, referred to the Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

E. LOUISE LINCOLN, Clerk

Presented by Mr. LaCharite of Brunswick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Operation of Motor Vehicles with Accumulations of Snow or Ice.

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

R. S., T. 29, § 1374, additional. Title 29 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 1374, to read as follows:

§ 1374. Accumulations of snow or ice

No person shall drive any motor vehicle with any accumulation of snow or ice upon the front windshield, side wings or side or rear windows of such vehicle which obstructs or interferes with the operator's view of the road or with any accumulation of snow or ice on other portions of the surface of the vehicle which could obstruct or interfere with the operator's view of the road by blowing upon or falling upon the windshield or any window of the vehicle while in motion or with any accumulation of snow or ice on any portions of the surface of the vehicle which will endanger any other vehicle in motion by blowing off or falling off and striking another vehicle or falling in front of the wheels of another vehicle, except for an accumulation of snow or ice which occurs when a vehicle is in motion during a snowstorm.

Whoever violates any provision of this section shall be punished by a fine of \$10; if any person is convicted the 2nd time or any subsequent time for a violation of this section, he shall be punished by a fine of \$15.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The bill makes it a violation to drive a vehicle, at any time except during a snowstorm, with an accumulation of snow or ice which could obstruct or interfere with the vision of the driver or endanger other vehicles.