

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 403

H. P. 331

House of Representatives, January 28, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lewin of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Provide Immunity to Certain Persons with Advanced First Aid Training when they Render Emergency Care.

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

14 MRSA, § 165 is enacted to read:

§ 165. Immunity from civil liability; certain persons

Notwithstanding any inconsistent provisions of any public or private and special law, any person who, having satisfactorily completed an American Red Cross Advanced First Aid and Emergency Care Training Course, holds a current certificate or card and who voluntarily, without the expectation of monetary compensation from the person aided or treated, renders first aid or emergency treatment to a person who is unconscious, ill or injured, and any person who, having satisfactorily completed an authorized Maine Heart Association Cardiopulmonary Training Program, holds a current Maine Heart Association certificate or card and who voluntarily administers emergency cardiopulmonary resuscitative measures to a person whose condition warrants such measures, shall not be liable for damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by such person nor 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, cardiopulmonary resuscitation or emergency treatment, unless it is established that such injuries or such death were caused willfully or wantonly on the part of such person.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this Act is to relieve certain persons who have received advanced first aid training from civil liability when rendering emergency care to the sick and injured.