

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 788

H. P. 637

House of Representatives, February 26, 1975

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Faucher of Solon.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-FIVE

AN ACT to Require Minimum Standards for Automotive Fire Apparatus.

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

30 MRSA § 3778 is enacted to read:

§ 3778. **Automotive fire apparatus**

All automotive fire apparatus purchased after the effective date of this Act, by municipal fire departments or volunteer fire associations with public moneys, shall be constructed and equipped in conformance with the standards set forth in the edition of National Fire Protection Pamphlet #19, Standards for Automotive Fire Apparatus, that is in effect on the date of the purchase agreement.

A municipality or volunteer fire association which receives delivery of automotive fire apparatus not in conformance with these standards may, in addition to its other remedies, recover in a civil action a penalty from the seller in an amount equal to 10% of the purchase price of the apparatus.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is designed to provide minimum standards for automotive fire apparatus in accordance with National Fire Protection Association guidelines. Such apparatus should meet at least these minimum standards to help assure its reliability in emergency situations.