

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the
LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

(EMERGENCY)
New Draft of H. P. 1943, L. D. 2130
(New Title)
FIRST SPECIAL SESSION

ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 2298

H. P. 2178

House of Representatives, March 10, 1976

Reported by Mr. Rideout from Committee on Business Legislation and printed under Joint Rules No. 18.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SIX

AN ACT to Amend the Uninsured Motorist Law.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the statute on uninsured vehicle coverage was amended to require insured persons to notify their insurer if they did not want a higher level of coverage against uninsured vehicles; and

Whereas, this requirement is a cause of confusion and is unworkable; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

24-A MRSA § 2902, sub-§ 2, as repealed and replaced by PL 1975, c. 437, § 2, is amended to read:

2. The amount of coverage to be so provided shall be not less than the amount of coverage for liability for bodily injury or death in the policy offered or sold to a purchaser unless the purchaser rejects such amount, but in any event shall not be less than the minimum limits for bodily injury liability insurance provided for under the motorist's financial responsibility laws of this State Title 29, section 787, subsection 1.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act shall take effect when approved.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of the new draft is stated in the emergency preamble.