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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 509

H. P. 397 House of Representatives, February 16, 1977
On motion of Mr. Carroll of Limerick, referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mrs. Boudreau of Portland.

Cosponsor: Mr. Higgins of Scarborough.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT to Require Drivers License Renewal Examinations.

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

Sec. 1. 29 MRSA § 545, as amended by PL 1969, c. 137, is further amended by adding before the first paragraph, the following new paragraph:

Any person renewing an operator's license effective on their 40th, 41st, 50th, 51st, 60th and 61st birthday or during that year while at those ages, shall be required to pass a vision examination. If a person fails to renew his license as aforesaid and wishes to renew at some time between the birth years set forth herein, he shall be required to pass a vision examination.

Sec. 2. 29 MRSA § 545, as amended by PL 1969, c. 137, is further amended by adding after the last paragraph, the following new paragraph:

Any person required to pass a vision examination under this section, may submit an acceptable doctor's certificate setting forth their visual acuity in each eye, both eyes combined and field of vision. The doctor's certificate submitted shall not be accepted if it indicates the vision finding is based on an examination completed over one year prior to the date of application.

Sec. 3. Effective date. This Act shall be effective on license renewals for 1978 and thereafter.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to require a vision test every 10 years beginning at age 40.