

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 661

S. P. 212

In Senate, March 1, 1977

Referred to Committee on Transportation. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Usher of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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 new 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 #1901, Standards for Automotive Fire Apparatus, which 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

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.