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H. P. 46

House of Representatives, January 5, 1981

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Paradis of Augusta. (By Request)

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-ONE

AN ACT to Create a Point Credit System for Violation-free Drivers under the Motor Vehicle Laws.

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

29 MRSA § 2241, sub-§ 2, as last amended by PL 1975, c. 731, § 65 and c. 770, § 160, is further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph to read:

The Secretary of State, by regulations, shall also adopt a uniform system of assigning credits to be used against any demerit points which have accumulated against a driver after a first-time violation, according to the following outline.

A. After the date of a first-time driving violation for which demerit points have been assigned, the Secretary of State shall assign a 2-point credit against those demerits for each full year during which the driver receives no further demerits.

B. After the date on which the credit points equal or exceed the demerit points, the Secretary of State shall assign a one-point credit for each full year during which the driver receives no further demerits.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill creates a credit point system available to drivers who are first-time violators and who have had points taken against their licenses. A 2-point credit

against the demerits would accumulate until the demerits were eliminated. Then the driver would receive a one-point credit for each year of violation-free driving.