

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE
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5 Legislative Document

No. 701

7 H.P. 550

House of Representatives, February 10, 1983

8 Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent up for concurrence and
9 ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

11 Presented by Representative Ingraham of Houlton.

12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT Concerning Penalties Enforced
18 against Victims of Accidents who Fail to
19 File Accident Reports.
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
22 follows:

23 29 MRSA §891, last ¶, as repealed and replaced by
24 PL 1977, c. 694, §516, is amended to read:

25 Pursuant to chapter 17, the Secretary of State
26 may suspend or revoke the motor vehicle operator's
27 license, certificate of registration and the privi-
28 lege to operate a motor vehicle of any person who is
29 required to make a report and fails to do so or who
30 willfully fails to give correct information required
31 of him by the Secretary of State pertinent to any re-
32 quired report. The Secretary of State, is not
33 authorized to penalize a driver, not filing an acci-
34 dent report, who is involved in an accident, but who

1 is the victim of another motor vehicle operator's
2 mistake or negligence causing or contributing to the
3 accident.

4 STATEMENT OF FACT

5 This bill removes the Secretary of State's power
6 to penalize drivers who are victims in an automobile
7 accident and who do not file accident reports.

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