

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 SECOND REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1906

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7 H.P. 1362

House of Representatives, January 17, 1986

8 Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council  
pursuant to Joint Rule 26.

9 Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered  
10 printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Crowley of Stockton Springs.

11 Cosponsored by Senator Shute of Waldo and Representative McGowan  
of Canaan.

12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-SIX  
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17 AN ACT to Establish a Land and Air Search and  
18 Rescue Procedure for Missing Aircraft  
19 Personnel.  
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
22 follows:

23 6 MRSA §303, sub-§4, as enacted by PL 1981, c.  
24 41, is repealed and the following enacted in its  
25 place:

26 4. Authority. The commissioner is responsible  
27 for the execution and overall coordination of air  
28 search and rescue efforts initiated in support of the  
29 air search and rescue plan by those state agencies  
30 which are designated in the plan to play an assisting  
31 role in emergencies.

32 A. The commissioner shall delegate his authority  
33 for overall coordination of air search and rescue  
34 efforts to the Director of the Bureau of Aeronau-  
35 tics within the Department of Transportation.

1 B. The Director of the Bureau of Aeronautics  
2 shall communicate and coordinate directly with  
3 the Air Search Mission Coordinator, an official  
4 of the Maine Wing Civil Air Patrol, who is in-  
5 involved in coordinating and controlling the spe-  
6 cific air search operations conducted under the  
7 air search and rescue plan.

8 C. The Director of the Bureau of Aeronautics  
9 shall communicate and coordinate with state agen-  
10 cies who have agreed to offer mutual support in  
11 implementing the cooperative action plan for air  
12 search and rescue, when the assistance is needed  
13 in searching for missing persons.

14 STATEMENT OF FACT

15 This bill designates certain public officials re-  
16 sponsible for air search and rescue activities.

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