

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

The following document is provided by the  
**LAW AND LEGISLATIVE DIGITAL LIBRARY**  
at the Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library  
<http://legislature.maine.gov/lawlib>



Reproduced from scanned originals with text recognition applied  
(searchable text may contain some errors and/or omissions)

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

---

ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE

---

Legislative Document

NO. 388

---

H.P. 302                      House of Representatives, February 18, 1987  
Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested  
and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative GREENLAW of Standish.

---

STATE OF MAINE

---

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

---

1                      AN ACT Concerning the Liability for Damages  
2                      of Persons Operating a Truck with an  
3                      Uncovered Load.  
4

---

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

7                      29 MRSA §1752, as amended by PL 1977, c. 32, is  
8                      further amended by adding at the end a new paragraph  
9                      to read:

10                      It is a presumption that the registered owner of  
11                      any vehicle from which a portion of the load falls to  
12                      the ground, is the operator.

1

STATEMENT OF FACT

2

The purpose of this bill is to make the registered owner responsible for any part of a load falling off a vehicle without a plaintiff having to actually prove the owner's operation of the vehicle.

3

4

0823020687

5

6