

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 503

House of Representatives, March 7, 1989

Reference to the Committee on Banking and Insurance suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ed Pert".

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative RAND of Portland.
Cosponsored by Senator BUSTIN of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

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

**An Act to Prohibit Motor Vehicle Insurers from Adjusting Personal
Insurance Rates of Public Works Employees Involved in Collisions.**



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

3 24-A MRSA §2174-A is enacted to read:

5 §2174-A. Public works employees' insurance rates

7 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this section, "public
works employee" means a government employee, as defined by Title
9 14, section 8102, subsection 1, whose employment involves the
care, maintenance or construction of municipally or state-owned
11 buildings, open space, parks, parking facilities, waste water
treatment systems, sewers or other property, roads, highways or
13 other public ways.

15 2. Public works employees. No insurer may increase the
premium for an insurance policy providing motor vehicle liability
17 or collision insurance to a public works employee on the basis of
one or more accidents, as defined by section 2916-A, subsection
19 2, involving a motor vehicle operated by a public works employee
if the accident occurred while the employee was operating a motor
21 vehicle in the course and scope of that employee's employment,
pursuant to Title 14, section 8112.

23 3. Governmental entity. This section in no way restricts
25 the premium an insurer may charge a governmental entity, as
defined in Title 14, section 8102, subsection 2, for an insurance
27 policy providing motor vehicle liability or collision insurance
covering public works employees.

31 STATEMENT OF FACT

33 The purpose of this bill is to prevent insurers from
increasing the premiums charged public works employees for
35 automobile insurance on the basis of accidents involving these
employees within the course and scope of their employment. The
37 bill does not restrict an insurer's right to increase the
premiums charged governmental entities for automobile insurance
39 covering public works employees.