

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

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H.P. 65

House of Representatives, December 31, 1990

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative LIBBY of Kennebunk.

Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Southwest Harbor, Representative BAILEY of Township 27 and Representative PAUL of Sanford.

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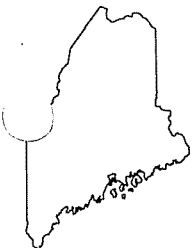
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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY

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**An Act to Authorize Certified Reserve Officers to Enforce Motor  
Vehicle Registration Laws.**

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

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29 MRSA §102, 2nd ¶, as amended by PL 1985, c. 429, §8, is further amended to read:

No vehicle may be operated, or remain upon any way, unless the same is registered and equipped in accordance with this Title, excepting that any officer of the State Police, any sheriff or full-time deputy sheriff or any full-time municipal police officer or certified reserve officer while on duty may, when in ~~his~~ the officer's opinion the same is necessary and not detrimental to the public safety, grant a permit in writing for an unregistered motor vehicle to be towed either by a regular service wrecker or by the use of a towbar. Further, any officer of the State Police, any sheriff or full-time deputy sheriff, any full-time municipal police officer or certified reserve officer while on duty and certain employees of the Motor Vehicle Division so designated by the Secretary of State shall issue a permit to allow the operation of an unregistered motor vehicle only to the owner's residence or to an office of the Motor Vehicle Division for the sole purpose of renewing the registration of that vehicle by the same owner as indicated on the expired registration certificate. For the purposes of this paragraph, a certified reserve officer is an officer who has attended the 100-hour reserve training program sponsored by the Maine Criminal Justice Academy and has received the academy's certification as a reserve officer. The permit shall ~~may~~ be issued only when the previous registration on the vehicle has expired within 30 days. The permit shall ~~may~~ not remain valid for more than 3 consecutive days including the date of issuance. Application for such ~~the~~ registration may be made by mail or otherwise to the Secretary of State upon blanks prepared under ~~his~~ the Secretary of State's authority. The application shall must be signed by the owner and shall contain such particulars as may be required by the Secretary of State, including the name, residence and address of the owner, current mileage, with a brief description of the vehicle, the name of its maker, vehicle identification number, the amount of motive power, stated in figures of horsepower, the type of motor fuel if other than gasoline as defined in Title 36, section 2902, under the phrase "internal combustion engine fuel" and the actual gross weight of the vehicle if intended for commercial use.

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#### STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill authorizes certified reserve officers to issue permits for the towing or operation of an unregistered motor vehicle.