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House of Representatives, March 21, 1991

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

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative SIMPSON of Casco. Cosponsored by Senator TITCOMB of Cumberland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act to Authorize the Town of Casco to Operate Amusement Devices without Requiring Proof of Insurance.

(EMERGENCY)



2	Emergency preamble. Whereas, Acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted
4	as emergencies; and
_	Whereas, current law prohibits the operation of amusement
6	devices without first obtaining certificates of public insurance; and
8	Whereas, the cost of such insurance is prohibitive; and
10 12	Whereas, the Town of Casco is the only town in the State to own and operate a ferris wheel and merry-qo-round; and
12	own and operate a refirs wheer and merry-go-round, and
14	Whereas, the Town of Casco annually operates these rides to help raise money for their fire and rescue departments; and
16	Whereas, the Town of Casco will be celebrating its 150th
18	anniversary and operating these rides prior to the expiration of the 90-day period; and
20	Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts
22	create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately
24	necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,
26	Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:
28	Exemption from requirement of insurance. Notwithstanding the
30	Maine Revised Statutes, Title 8, section 502, the Town of Casco may operate those amusement devices that it owns without
32	furnishing to the Commissioner of Public Safety a certificate of public liability insurance.
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36	Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this Act takes effect when approved.
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40	STATEMENT OF FACT
42	This bill authorizes the Town of Casco to operate amusement devices without presenting the Commissioner of Public Safety with proof of liability insurance.