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# 115th MAINE LEGISLATURE

## FIRST REGULAR SESSION-1991

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Legislative Document

No. 1601

H.P. 1102

House of Representatives, April 22, 1991

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 WATERMAN of Buxton.

Cosponsored by Representative CARROLL of Gray and Representative KERR of Old Orchard Beach.

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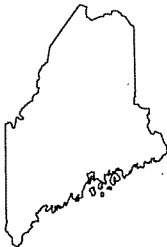
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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

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**An Act Regarding the Issuance of Special Plates for Rescue Unit  
Workers and Providers of Emergency Medical Services.**

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

29 MRSA §252-H is enacted to read:

§252-H. Emergency services and rescue workers; special license plates

On the application of an active rescue unit worker whose active status is certified by the director of the rescue unit or of a person who provides emergency medical services whose active status is certified by the Emergency Medical Services' Board, the Secretary of State shall issue a special registration plate designating the vehicle as belonging to an active emergency services worker. The special registration plate must be of a design to be determined by the Secretary of State. The special registration plate may be used only on one motor vehicle the registered gross weight of which does not exceed 9,000 pounds.

A one-time fee of \$5 is charged for a plate under this section, in addition to the annual registration fee.

If a rescue unit worker ceases to be an active rescue unit worker, the director of the rescue unit shall notify the Secretary of State or if a provider of emergency medical services ceases to be provider of emergency medical services, the Emergency Medical Services' Board shall notify the Secretary of State, who shall recall the license plate. Failure to return the recalled registration plate within 30 days is a civil violation for which a forfeiture of \$50 may be adjudged.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill creates a special license plate for rescue unit workers and emergency medical services' personnel. It also provides for a \$50 forfeiture for failure by inactive rescue workers to return recalled license plates to the Secretary of State.