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Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOY J. O'BRIEN Secretary of the Senate

Presented by Senator MILLS of Oxford

Cosponsored by Representative BOUTILIER of Lewiston and Representative HALE of Sanford.

STATE OF MAINE

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

An Act Concerning Responsibility of Motor Vehicle Owners for Registration.

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

29 MRSA §102, first ¶, as amended by PL 1981, c. 346, §2, is further amended to read:

Except as section 2243 provides for reciprocity with other states, any resident person, firm or corporation, or owner as defined in section 1, who fails to register any vehicle to-be that is operated, caused to be operated, is permitted to be operated or remain remains on any way in this State shall-be is guilty of a misdemeaner Class E crime. The owner or operator of a vehicle operated with an expired registration during the 30 days immediately after the expiration of the registration shall must be issued a warning, rather than a summons, in a form to-bedesignated by the Chief of the State Police. This warning shall must state that the owner or operator shall, within 2 business days, cause the vehicle to be registered in accordance with this chapter. The warning shall must further state that, because the owner or operator was-found-operating operated or permitted to be operated an unregistered vehicle during the 30 days immediately after the expiration of the registration, the renewed registration shall will expire on the same month as the previous registration and the registration fee shall-be is that of a full year registration.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill amends the laws to make clear that the person responsible for registering a vehicle will be cited for failure to register if that person operates an unregistered vehicle or allows someone else to operate an unregistered vehicle.

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