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An Act to Amend the Motor Vehicle Laws Regarding Loss of License.

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative GAGNE of Buckfield. Cosponsored by Representatives: BAKER of Bangor, BAKER of Dixfield, McKEE of Wayne, POVICH of Ellsworth.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows: 2 Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2471, sub-§3 is enacted to read: 4 3. Suspension terms for accidents. If, during the period of the provisional license, a person is involved in an accident б that results in serious bodily injury, as defined in Title 17-A, 8 section 2, subsection 23, or death and a court determines that the person was more than 50% at fault, the Secretary of State 10 shall suspend the license: 12 A. For 90 days on the first offense; 14 B. For 180 days on the 2nd offense; and 16 C. For one year on the 3rd offense. Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2472, sub-§2-A is enacted to read: 18 20 2-A. Suspension terms for accidents. If, during the first year after the date of issue of the juvenile provisional license, 22 a person who has not yet attained 21 years of age is involved in an accident that results in serious bodily injury, as defined in 24 Title 17-A, section 2, subsection 23, or death and a court determines that the person was more than 50% at fault, the 26 Secretary of State shall suspend the license: 28 A. For 90 days on the first offense; 30 B. For 180 days on the 2nd offense; and 32 C. For one year on the 3rd offense. 34 SUMMARY 36 This bill requires the Secretary of State to suspend, for up to one year, the driver's license of any person who has had the 38 license for less than one year, is involved in an accident that results in bodily injury or death and is more than 50% at fault 40 for that accident. 42