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House of Representatives, January 28, 2003

An Act To Title Mobile Homes, Boats, All-terrain Vehicles and Snowmobiles

Reference to the Committee on Judiciary suggested and ordered printed.

Millicent M. MacFarland
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Clerk

Presented by Representative NORBERT of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: MILLS of Cornville, PINEAU of Jay, SIMPSON of Auburn,
USHER of Westbrook, Senator: CATHCART of Penobscot.

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

4 **CONCEPT DRAFT**
6 **SUMMARY**

8 This bill is a concept draft pursuant to Joint Rule 208.

10 This bill proposes to align state law with many other
12 states' laws by requiring certificates of title for mobile homes,
14 boats, all-terrain vehicles and snowmobiles. Without a title, it
16 is more difficult to verify ownership of these goods. It is
18 therefore more difficult to obtain credit to purchase them.
Also, changes to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code have
further complicated the procedures for loans secured by these
goods as collateral. Requiring titles will provide greater
uniformity with neighboring states, increase the availability of
credit for the purchase of these goods and eliminate Article 9
complications.