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STATE OF MAINE
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122ND LEGISLATURE
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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 460, L.D. 627, Bill, "An Act To Require Notification prior to Suspension of a Driver's License for a Nonmotor Vehicle Violation"

Amend the bill by striking out all of sections 2 and 3 and inserting in their place the following:

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2605, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

1. Suspension by clerk. If a person fails to appear in court on the date and time specified in response to a Uniform Summons and Complaint, a summons, a condition of bail or order of court for any criminal violation of Title 23, section 1980; a civil violation under Title 28-A, section 2052; or any criminal provision of this Title, or for any further appearance ordered by the court, including one for the payment of a fine, either in person or by counsel, or fails to pay a fine imposed for a criminal traffic offense, the clerk shall suspend the person's license or permit, the right to operate a motor vehicle in this State and the right to apply for or obtain a license or permit. The court shall immediately notify that person of the suspension by regular mail or personal service. Written notice is sufficient if sent to the person's last known address.

If a person who is not an individual fails to appear or pay a fine in a criminal traffic offense, the clerk shall suspend the registration of the motor vehicle involved in the offense or that person's right to operate that vehicle in the State.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

2 Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2605, sub-§2, as enacted by PL 1993, c.  
3 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is repealed and the  
4 following enacted in its place:

6 2. Notification of Secretary of State. Upon suspension  
7 under subsection 1 of a person's license or permit, the right to  
8 operate a motor vehicle in this State and the right to apply for  
9 or obtain a license or permit, the court shall notify the  
10 Secretary of State that the court has ordered the suspension.  
11 The Secretary of State shall immediately record the suspension.'

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14 **SUMMARY**

16 This amendment deletes from the bill sections 2 and 3 and  
17 replaces them with amendments to the motor vehicle laws to  
18 require the court to notify a person of suspension by the court  
19 of the person's license or permit, the right to operate a motor  
20 vehicle in this State and the right to apply for or obtain a  
21 license or permit when the suspension is for a motor  
22 vehicle-related violation. The court must also notify the  
23 Secretary of State of the suspension. This is consistent with  
24 the court's action when the court suspends the license or permit,  
25 the right to operate a motor vehicle in this State and the right  
26 to apply for or obtain a license or permit for a nonmotor vehicle  
27 offense under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 14.  
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30 **FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**  
(See attached)



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LD 627

LR 2029(02)

## An Act To Require Notification prior to Suspension of a Driver's License for a Nonmotor Vehicle Violation

Fiscal Note for Bill as Amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Committee: Judiciary

Fiscal Note Required: Yes

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### Fiscal Note

Minor cost increase - General Fund

#### Fiscal Detail and Notes

The additional costs associated with providing the required notification can be absorbed by the Judicial Department utilizing existing budgeted resources.