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House of Representatives, February 10, 2009

An Act To Clarify the Law Regarding Reinstatement of a Driver's License

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

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Clerk

Presented by Representative BRIGGS of Mexico.
Cosponsored by Senator BRYANT of Oxford and
Representatives: CLARK of Millinocket, CONNOR of Kennebunk, PRATT of Eddington,
SHAW of Standish, THERIAULT of Madawaska, TREAT of Hallowell, WHEELER of
Kittery, Senator: GERZOFKY of Cumberland.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2434, sub-§1**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and
3 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 **1. Notification by court.** The court shall inform the defendant of the suspension and
5 that a reinstatement fee must be paid in order for the defendant's license to be reinstated.

6 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §2434, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and
7 affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

8 **2. Acknowledgement of receipt of notice.** The defendant shall acknowledge this
9 notice in writing on a form provided by the court. The form must include a statement that
10 the license may be reinstated only upon payment of the reinstatement fee to the Secretary
11 of State.

12 **Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §2482, sub-§2, ¶C**, as amended by PL 2003, c. 434, §34
13 and affected by §37, is further amended to read:

14 C. If the suspension or revocation is imposed by an authority other than a court, the
15 right of the person to request a hearing and the procedure for requesting a hearing;
16 and

17 **Sec. 4. 29-A MRSA §2482, sub-§2, ¶F**, as amended by PL 1997, c. 776, §50, is
18 further amended to read:

19 F. If the suspension or revocation is based on a report under section 2481, that a copy
20 of the report of the law enforcement officer and any blood-alcohol test certificate will
21 be provided to the person upon request to the Secretary of State; and

22 **Sec. 5. 29-A MRSA §2482, sub-§2, ¶G** is enacted to read:

23 G. The license may only be reinstated upon payment of the reinstatement fee.

24 **SUMMARY**

25 This bill requires that upon the suspension of a driver's license, the court or the
26 Secretary of State inform the driver that the license will be reinstated only upon payment
27 of the reinstatement fee.