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H.P. 148

House of Representatives, February 5, 2013

**An Act To Permit Temporary Operation of a Motor Vehicle with an
Expired Operator's License Solely for the Purpose of Traveling
Home or Renewing the License**

Reference to the Committee on Criminal Justice and Public Safety suggested and ordered printed.

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Presented by Representative CASAVANT of Biddeford.
Cosponsored by Senator TUTTLE of York and
Representatives: BEAUDOIN of Biddeford, DeCHANT of Bath, JOHNSON of Greenville,
PEOPLES of Westbrook.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1251, sub-§1, ¶E**, as enacted by PL 2005, c. 314, §6, is
3 amended to read:

4 E. ~~With~~ Unless a permit is issued pursuant to subsection 7, with a license issued by
5 this State that expired within the previous 90 days. Violation of this paragraph is a
6 traffic infraction.

7 **Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1251, sub-§7** is enacted to read:

8 **7. Temporary permit to operate a motor vehicle with an expired license.** Upon
9 stopping an operator of a motor vehicle who is in violation of subsection 1, paragraph E,
10 a law enforcement officer may issue a permit to the operator of the motor vehicle to
11 operate the motor vehicle to the operator's residence or to an office of the bureau for the
12 sole purpose of renewing the operator's license.

13 **SUMMARY**

14 This bill allows a law enforcement officer to issue a permit to a person whose
15 operator's license has expired within the previous 90 days to allow that person to drive to
16 the operator's residence or to an office of the Department of the Secretary of State,
17 Bureau of Motor Vehicles for the sole purpose of renewing the operator's license.