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H.P. 890

House of Representatives, April 4, 2017

**An Act To Combat Human Trafficking by Requiring Prevention
Training for Commercial Drivers**

Reference to the Committee on Transportation suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Speaker GIDEON of Freeport.
Cosponsored by Senator VOLK of Cumberland and
Representatives: MAREAN of Hollis, McLEAN of Gorham, PERKINS of Oakland, RECKITT
of South Portland, SHEATS of Auburn, WARREN of Hallowell, Senators: COLLINS of York,
ROSEN of Hancock.

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1253, sub-§6** is enacted to read:

3 **6. Human trafficking prevention training and license requirement;**
4 **informational card.** In addition to other requirements under this section, beginning
5 April 1, 2018, in order to receive a commercial driver's license, an applicant for a new
6 commercial driver's license must complete a nationally recognized training program on
7 preventing human trafficking in the trucking industry and provide to the Secretary of
8 State a certificate or other evidence of satisfactory completion of that program. The
9 training program required under this subsection may be administered in person or on the
10 Internet.

11 Beginning April 1, 2018, a commercial driver's license issued by the Secretary of State to
12 a new licensee or upon a renewal for an existing licensee must be accompanied by an
13 informational card that is 2 inches by 3 inches and outlines signs of and how to report
14 human trafficking and includes a telephone number for a national human trafficking
15 hotline.

16 **SUMMARY**

17 This bill requires that, beginning April 1, 2018, an applicant for a new commercial
18 driver's license complete in person or online a nationally recognized training program on
19 preventing human trafficking in the trucking industry as a requirement to receive a
20 license. It also requires that all new and renewed commercial driver's licenses be
21 accompanied by a wallet-sized card that outlines signs of and how to report human
22 trafficking and includes a telephone number for a national human trafficking hotline.