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S.P. 966

In Senate, March 5, 2024

**An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Department of
the Secretary of State, Bureau of Motor Vehicles' Motor Vehicle
Dealer Display Area and Licensing Requirements Working Group**

Reported by Senator CURRY of Waldo for the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 19, section 5.

Reference to the Committee on Innovation, Development, Economic Advancement and Business suggested and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 218.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D M Grant'.

DAREK M. GRANT
Secretary of the Senate

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

2 **Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §851, sub-§4, ¶C**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2
3 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

4 C. With an improved display area of not less than ~~5,000~~ 3,500 square feet in or
5 immediately adjoining it;

6 **SUMMARY**

7 This bill is reported out by the Joint Standing Committee on Innovation, Development,
8 Economic Advancement and Business pursuant to Resolve 2023, chapter 19, section 5 to
9 implement the recommendations of the Department of the Secretary of State, Bureau of
10 Motor Vehicles' motor vehicle dealer display area and licensing requirements working
11 group. The bill amends the motor vehicle laws regarding motor vehicle dealers by reducing
12 the minimum size of the improved display area from 5,000 to 3,500 square feet for a
13 building in the definition of "established place of business."

14 The committee has not taken a position on the substance of the bill. By reporting the
15 bill out the committee is not suggesting and does not intend to suggest that it agrees or
16 disagrees with any aspect of the bill. The committee is reporting the bill out for the sole
17 purpose of having a bill printed that can be referred to the committee for an appropriate
18 public hearing and subsequent processing in the normal course. The committee is taking
19 this action to ensure clarity and transparency in the legislative review of the proposals
20 contained in the bill.