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House of Representatives, February 9, 1937.

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT to Require the Use of Safety Glass on Motor Vehicles.**

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

**Sec. 1. Safety glass, required.** Except as hereinafter otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful to operate on any highway any motor vehicle which is registered in the state and which shall have been manufactured or assembled after December 31, 1937, unless such motor vehicle be equipped with safety glass wherever glass is used in partitions, doors, windows or windshields.

**Sec. 2. "Safety glass" defined.** The term "safety glass" as used in this act shall be construed to mean any product composed of glass or of glass combined with other materials, so manufactured, fabricated or treated as substantially to prevent shattering and flying of the glass when broken. The secretary of state shall approve and maintain a list of the approved types of glass, as herein defined and shall not register or re-register any motor vehicle subject to the provisions of this act, unless such motor vehicle be equipped as herein provided with such approved type of glass. The secretary of state may accept and approve any such type of glass which conforms to the requirements of the Bureau of Standards of the United States Department of Commerce.

**Sec. 3. Replacements.** After the 31st day of December, 1937, all replacements of glass partitions, doors, windows or windshields of any motor vehicle, shall be made with "safety glass" as defined in this act.

**Sec. 4. Duties of applicants, penalty.** The secretary of state shall require the owner of a motor vehicle to state in his application for registration the type of glass used in its partitions, doors, windows and windshields; also to state whether the vehicle was manufactured or assembled after December 31, 1937. Upon the sale or transfer of ownership of a motor vehicle, as provided in sections 64 and 66 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, the notice to the secretary of state as therein required shall contain a statement as to the type of glass so used; also as to whether such vehicle was manufactured or assembled after December 31, 1937. Whoever shall make any material misstatement of fact upon an application for registration or notice required under this act, shall be subject to the penalty provided in section 51 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes.