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## LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 1201

S. P. 588

In Senate, January 13, 1942.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and 600 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Chase of Washington.

#### STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-TWO

### AN ACT Amending the Financial Responsibility Law.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, a state of war exists between the United States and Germany, Italy, Japan and other foreign countries; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the legislature this fact creates an emergency within the meaning of section 16 of Article XXXI of the constitution of Maine and requires the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

- Sec. 1. R. S., c. 29, § 93, amended. Paragraph lettered (e) of section 93 of chapter 29 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding thereto a new paragraph to be numbered V and to read as follows:
- 'V. To either the owner or licensed operator of a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer involved in an accident where the secretary shall be satisfied that the motor vehicle, trailer, or semi-trailer, or the operator thereof at the time of the accident, was insured in such a manner as to respond in damages for any liability incurred arising out of said accident up to the amount

of \$5,000, because of bodily injury or death to any one person; up to the amount of \$10,000, because of bodily injury to or death to 2 or more persons; and up to the amount of \$1,000, because of injury to and destruction of property; or that, the owner or licensed operator of said motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer had previously filed a motor vehicle liability bond to respond for any liability incurred in said accident in the same amounts as provided in this paragraph for insurance. Any owner or licensed operator of a motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer involved in an accident prior to the effective date of this paragraph, who satisfies the secretary that at the time of said accident, said licensed operator of said motor vehicle, trailer or semi-trailer was insured or bonded, as provided in this paragraph, shall no longer be required to give or maintain evidence of financial responsibility for the future as a result of said accident.'

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency set forth in the preamble hereof, this act shall take effect when approved.