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In Senate, February 21, 1951.

Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Reid of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Operating a Motor Vehicle Negligently.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 122-A, additional. Chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto a new section to be numbered 122-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 122-A. Driving in a culpably negligent manner; penalty; revocation of license. A person who operates or drives any motor vehicle in a culpably negligent manner, whereby a human being is killed, shall be guilty of criminal negligence in the operation of the vehicle resulting in death, and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$1,000 or by imprisonment for not more than 2 years, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Failure to exercise ordinary and prudent care in the operation of a vehicle shall be deemed to be operation in a culpably negligent manner.

The secretary of state shall immediately revoke the license or permit to drive or any non-resident operating privilege of any person convicted under the provisions of this section upon receipt of an attested copy of the court records, without further hearing; provided, however, that in case of

an appeal the license shall be suspended during the course of the appeal unless the trial court shall otherwise order and the revocation shall start when and if the conviction is upheld. No person whose license or permit to operate a motor vehicle has been revoked under the provisions of this section shall be licensed again or permitted to operate a motor vehicle for a period of 2 years from the time such license or permit is revoked.'