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NINETY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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In Senate, February 10, 1953

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Cummings of Sagadahoc

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Accident Reports.

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

R. S., c. 13, § 6, amended. The 3rd and 6th paragraphs of section 6 of chapter 13 of the revised statutes, as repealed and replaced by chapter 306 of the public laws of 1945, and as amended, are hereby further amended to read as follows:

'The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injuries to or death of any person or property damage to the estimated amount of \$50 \$100 or more, or some person acting for him, shall, immediately by the quickest means of communication, give notice of the accident either to a state police officer, sheriff or other police official, or to the police department of the municipality wherein the accident occurred. Any person failing to comply with the requirements of this paragraph shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not more than 90 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment. Every such notice received by any such official or department shall be promptly investigated.'

'The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person or property damage to the estimated amount of \$50

\$100 or more, or some person acting for him, shall, within 48 hours after the accident, make a written report of it to the chief of the state police. The chief may require drivers of vehicles involved in any such accident to file supplemental reports whenever the original report is insufficient in the opinion of the chief.'