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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

RESOLVE, Authorizing Legislative Research Committee Study of the Problems of the Uninsured Motorist.

Research Committee to study problems attributable to the Uninsured Motorist. **Resolved:** That in the interests of determining and effectuating such measures as shall be necessary and lawful for the protection of drivers, passengers, pedestrians and property owners in this State from the grievous and irreparable consequences of acts perpetrated by financially irresponsible car owners and operators, that the Legislative Research Committee be, and hereby is, authorized to make a general survey of existing State laws relating to the safe use of the highways of this State and the financial responsibility of the users of such highways; that the survey shall evaluate the policies of the Insurance Department in relation to their effectiveness in meeting the liability needs of the State, and determine the extent to which owners of motor vehicles registered in the State carry liability insurance; that the survey shall examine and evaluate the financial requirements of the motor vehicle laws of the State and such policies, rules and regulations that implement their administration; that in making such survey all available materials relating to the use of state highways by financially irresponsible motorists in the several states shall be gathered, examined, compiled and evaluated, including such federal requirements as may be pertinent; that the survey shall include, but not be limited to, study and consideration of legal, administrative and cost matters relating to motor vehicle safety responsibility, impoundment, unsatisfied judgment funds, compulsory insurance, equal financial responsibility, statutory assigned risks, innocent victim endorsements, uncollectible claims funds, highway safety needs and requirements and such other matters as may be necessary; and be it further

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Resolved: That the Committee shall have authority to employ such expert and professional advisors and counsel as in its judgment may determine within the limits of funds provided; and be it further

Resolved: That a report of the survey be prepared by the Committee including the recommendations made and the reasons therefor; and that said Committee shall reproduce the same in suitable form and distribute copies thereof to the members of the 90th Legislature; and be it further

Resolved: That there be, and hereby is, appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund of the State the sum of \$2,000 to carry out the purposes of this resolve. Such appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1959.

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