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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary. Presented by Senator Cole of Waldo.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Motor Vehicle Operators' Licenses.

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after the Legislature adjourns; and

Whereas, section 2 of chapter 121 of the public laws of 1957, enacted at the last Legislature, requires a procedure that places an undue burden upon the public and upon municipal tax collectors; and

Whereas, such burden should be removed to facilitate the issuance of motor vehicle operators' licenses; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require 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:

- R. S., c. 22, § 61, amended. Section 61 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 121 of the public laws of 1957, is further amended to read as follows:
- 'Sec. 61. Licenses issued when poll tax paid. No person required by law to pay a poll tax in this State shall be granted a license to operate a motor vehicle until he shall present a receipt or certificate that he has paid his last assessed poll tax in the town where he resided or written evidence from the taxing authority of that town that he was legally exempted therefrom or that the tax has been abated. Licenses issued from January 1st through June 3oth shall

require evidence of the payment of the previous year's poll tax, and licenses, issued from July 1st through December 31st shall require evidence of the payment of the current year's poll tax.'

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.