

NINETY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 558 Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed. HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Emmons of Kennebunk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Use of Prior Convictions in Motor Vehicle Registration and License Suspensions.

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

R. S., c. 22, § 150, amended. The next to the last paragraph of section 150 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'No person whose license or right to operate a motor vehicle has been revoked upon conviction of violating the provisions of this section shall be licensed again or permitted to operate a motor vehicle for 2 years, except that after the expiration of one year from the date of such revocation, he may petition the Secretary of State for a license or permit, who, after hearing and after his determination that pub ic safety will not be endange ed by issuing a new license, may issue such license or permit, with or without conditions thereto attached; upon. Upon a 2nd conviction of a violation of the provisions of this section, such person shall not be icensed again or permitted to operate a motor vehicle in this State for 5 years from the date of revocation, provided, however, that except after 3 yeas from the date of such last revocation, he may petition the Secretary of State for a license or permit and the Secretary of State, after like hearing and determination, again may issue a license or permit to the petitioner, with or without conditions; upon. Upon any subsequent conviction for a similar offense, the license or permit shall terminate and no subsequent license or permit shall be granted to such person; except that a person who has had 3 convictions under the provisions of this section may petition the Secretary of State for a special license, who, after being satisfied beyond a reasonable doubt that the said petitioner has refrained from a'l use of intoxicating liquor for a period of 6 years next preceding the day of hearing on the said petition, may

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issue a special permit or license conditioned upon continued non-use of intoxicating liquor; for. For the purpose of this section, in case a person has been convicted one or more times prior to the 13th day of July, 1929, of a violation of the provisions of this section, such previous conviction or convictions shall be construed as one conviction only those prior convictions had within the 10 years immediately preceding a conviction shall be considered.'

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