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**STATE OF MAINE**

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2. Altered vehicles. No person may operate any vehicle required to be registered in this State upon any highway or street, nor shall any vehicle receive a certificate of inspection, as required by this chapter, if that vehicle has a bumper height of less than 10 inches or a height in excess of the maximum as set by this subsection. Maximum bumper height shall be based on the manufacturers' gross vehicle weight rating. Measurements shall be taken from a level surface to any point on the lower edge of the main horizontal bumper bar, exclusive of any bumper guards. Measurements of vehicles not installed with rear bumpers shall be taken from a level surface to any point on the lowermost rearward vehicle frame extension, except that no vehicle may be modified to cause the vehicle body or chassis to come into contact with the ground or expose the fuel tank to damage from collision or cause the wheels to come in contact with the body under normal operation, and that no part of the original suspension system be disconnected. Nothing contained in this section may prevent the installation of heavy duty equipment to include shock absorbers and overload springs; and nothing contained in this section may prevent a person from operating a motor vehicle on a public way with normal wear of the suspension system if normal wear does not affect the control of the vehicle. This section does not apply to motor vehicles that are being lawfully towed on the highways of this State. Maximum bumper heights are as follows:

	<u>FRONT</u>	<u>REAR</u>
<u>Automobile</u>	<u>22 ins.</u>	<u>22 ins.</u>
<u>Vehicles 4,500 lbs. and under GVWR</u>	<u>24 ins.</u>	<u>26 ins.</u>
<u>Vehicles 4,501 lbs. to 7,500 lbs. GVWR</u>	<u>27 ins.</u>	<u>29 ins.</u>
<u>Vehicles 7,501 lbs. to 10,000 lbs. GVWR</u>	<u>28 ins.</u>	<u>30 ins.</u>

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## CHAPTER 359

H.P. 951 - L.D. 1232

AN ACT to Establish and Amend the Air  
 Quality Standards and Establish a Chromium  
 Emission Standard.

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

Sec. 1. 38 MRSA §584-A, sub-§8 is enacted to read:

8. Chromium.

A. Until the time that an analytical procedure for measuring hexavalent chromium in the ambient air is approved:

(1) The maximum 24-hour total chromium concentration at any location shall not exceed 0.3 micrograms per cubic meter; and

(2) The annual geometric mean of the total chromium concentrations at any location shall not exceed 0.05 micrograms per cubic meter.

B. Subsequent to the establishment of an acceptable analytical procedure for measuring hexavalent chromium in the ambient air:

(1) The maximum 24-hour ambient air quality impact of hexavalent chromium from a potential source of hexavalent chromium air emissions, as defined in section 611, subsection

2, shall not exceed the minimum detection limit of that procedure, or 1.0 nanogram per cubic meter, whichever is greater.

Sec. 2. 38 MRSA §611 is enacted to read:

§611. Hexavalent chromium particulate emission standard

1. Scope. This regulation shall be effective in all ambient air quality control regions in the State.

2. Definition. A potential source of hexavalent chromium air emissions shall be defined as follows: Any fuel burning equipment, incinerator or general process source which handles material containing total aggregate chromium concentration in excess of 0.05%, or 500 parts per million, by weight.

3. Emissions standards. The emission standards for any potential source of hexavalent chromium air emissions shall represent the lowest emission rate for hexavalent chromium which is technologically achievable. The emissions standards will be decided on a case-by-case basis, with the following conditions representing the minimum requirements:

A. Any potential source of hexavalent chromium air emissions shall demonstrate compliance with the ambient air quality standards;

B. If a source cannot demonstrate to the satisfaction of the commissioner a technique for measuring hexavalent chromium at the emission source, its modeled air quality impact shall be derived from its total chromium emissions and shall not exceed a 24-hour ambient concentration of 25 nanograms per cubic meter; and

C. The modeled impact derived from hexavalent chromium emissions shall not exceed the limits specified in section 584-A, subsection 8, paragraph B, subparagraph (1).

4. Exemptions. Chromium emissions resulting from metal plating operations, the preparation of chrome tanning liquors or from processes, including leather processing, in which chromium is present only in the trivalent oxidation state shall not be subject to these emission requirements.

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## CHAPTER 360

H.P. 950 - L.D. 1231

AN ACT to Amend the Election Laws.

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

Sec. 1. 21 MRSA §171, sub-§1, as amended by PL 1973, c. 414, §5-A, is further amended to read:

1. List prepared. He shall prepare a printed or typewritten list, alphabetically by surname, of all the voters of the municipality. He shall add the street address of each voter beside his name and mailing address and proper zip code number. In a municipality covered by only one zip code, he may print or type the zip code at the top of each page of the voting list. In a municipality which has voting districts, he shall make a separate list for each district.

Sec. 2. 21 MRSA §447, sub-§2, ¶E, as enacted by PL 1977, c. 425, §1, is repealed and the following enacted in its place: