

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**2003**

B. The identification of problem areas or issues within the market for those lines of insurance and suggestions to address those areas or issues based on a review of other states' responses to similar issues;

C. The identification of specific trends within those lines of insurance related to:

- (1) Changes in policy forms;
- (2) Underwriting and rating practices;
- (3) Nonrenewal and cancellation hearings held before the Bureau of Insurance; and
- (4) Complaints made to the Bureau of Insurance by type of insurance;

D. The identification and review of factors that are influencing underwriting and rating practices used by insurers in this State for those lines of insurance;

E. A summary of information gathered at public hearings; and

F. A suggested framework for ongoing data collection and market analysis for those lines of insurance.

2. In preparing the report, the Superintendent of Insurance shall use the following methodology.

A. The superintendent shall conduct 4 public hearings in different locations throughout the State. The purpose of the hearings is to provide an overview of the insurance market in this State, to gather public comment on problems and issues related to property and casualty insurance and to provide information relating to consumer assistance available from the Bureau of Insurance.

B. The superintendent may contract with outside consultants to assist with preparation of the report. If outside consultants are utilized, the costs must be absorbed within the Bureau of Insurance's existing budgeted resources.

C. To the extent possible, the superintendent shall review and analyze requests made to the Bureau of Insurance in 2001, 2002 and 2003 for cancellation and nonrenewal hearings pursuant to the Maine Insurance Code.

3. The Superintendent of Insurance shall submit the report no later than January 5, 2004 to the Joint Standing Committee on Insurance and Financial Services. The committee may report out legislation to the Second Regular Session of the 121st Legislature to

address issues related to the market conditions for property and casualty insurance.

See title page for effective date.

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## CHAPTER 311

### S.P. 470 - L.D. 1420

#### **An Act To Allow the Maine Turnpike Authority To Allow the Purchase of Nontoll Services by Electronic Toll Collection Patrons**

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

**Sec. 1. 23 MRSA §1965, sub-§1, ¶T**, as amended by PL 1993, c. 612, §4, is further amended to read:

T. Take all other lawful action necessary and incidental to these powers; ~~and~~

**Sec. 2. 23 MRSA §1965, sub-§1, ¶U**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 612, §5, is amended to read:

U. Adopt rules, in accordance with the Maine Administrative Procedure Act, to establish a logo signing program on the turnpike. The authority may charge fees for signs that contain names, symbols, logos or other identifiers of specific commercial enterprises. This paragraph may not be interpreted as limiting the authority's general power to collect fees under paragraph H; ~~and~~

**Sec. 3. 23 MRSA §1965, sub-§1, ¶V** is enacted to read:

V. Develop programs whereby a patron of the turnpike who uses the authority's electronic toll collection system, as defined in section 1980, subsection 1, paragraph B, may elect to use the patron's electronic toll collection system device to pay for services other than tolls for the use of the turnpike, whether those services are provided by the authority itself or 3rd parties, and allow the patron to participate in similar programs developed by other tolling authorities.

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