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TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

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§2255. Accidents involving property damage

1. Notification. The operator of a vehicle involved in an accident anywhere that results in property damage shall take reasonable steps to notify the owner of that property of the accident.

2. Provide information. The operator shall provide to the property owner:

- A. The operator's name and address;
- B. The registration number of the operator's vehicle; ~~and~~
- C. An opportunity to examine the driver's license if the ~~operator or~~ owner of the property so requests and the license is available; ~~and~~
- D. Evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility as required by section 1601 if the owner of the property so requests.

3. Violation. A person commits a Class E crime if that person fails to comply with this section, except that a person commits a traffic infraction if that person fails to comply with subsection 2, paragraph D.

4. Dismissal. The clerk of the District Court Violations Bureau or trial court shall dismiss a Violation Summons and Complaint charging a person with a violation of subsection 2, paragraph D if that person:

- A. Shows the issuing law enforcement officer satisfactory evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility that was in effect at the time of the alleged violation and the issuing officer notifies the violations bureau of that fact; or
- B. Files a timely answer to a Violation Summons and Complaint alleging a violation of subsection 2, paragraph D and that person presents to the court at the time of trial satisfactory evidence of liability insurance or financial responsibility that was in effect at the time of the alleged violation.

See title page for effective date.

**CHAPTER 292
H.P. 658 - L.D. 934**

**An Act To Amend the Laws on
Extended Warranties for Used
Cars To Make Terms of
Coverage Transparent**

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

Sec. 1. 10 MRSA §1474, sub-§3, ¶B, as repealed and replaced by PL 1981, c. 470, Pt. A, §29, is amended to read:

B. In addition, the written statement required by this subsection ~~shall~~ **must** contain, fully and conspicuously disclosed, the following information concerning any additional warranty not required by subsection 1:

- (1) The date ~~or number of days or on which~~ the additional warranty begins as well as the date on which or the number of days or mileage at which the warranty will terminate, either handwritten or printed on the statement by the dealer;
- (2) The parts or systems of the vehicle that are warranted against mechanical defects, or the parts or systems of the vehicle excluded from the warranty; and
- (3) A statement of what the dealer will do in the event of a mechanical defect and at whose expense.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1, 2014.

Effective July 1, 2014.

**CHAPTER 293
S.P. 349 - L.D. 1024**

**An Act To Enhance
Enforcement of the Mandatory
Reporting of Abuse and
Neglect**

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

Sec. 1. 22 MRSA §4008, sub-§3, ¶J, as amended by PL 2007, c. 371, §5, is further amended to read:

J. To a juvenile court when the child who is the subject of the records has been brought before the court pursuant to Title 15, Part 6; ~~and~~

Sec. 2. 22 MRSA §4008, sub-§3, ¶K, as enacted by PL 2007, c. 371, §6, is amended to read:

K. A relative or other person whom the department is investigating for possible custody or placement of the child; ~~and~~

Sec. 3. 22 MRSA §4008, sub-§3, ¶L is enacted to read:

L. To a licensing board of a mandated reporter, in the case of a mandated reporter under section 4011-A, subsection 1 who appears from the record or relevant circumstances to have failed to make a required report. Any information disclosed by the department personally identifying a licensee's client or patient remains confidential