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**STATE OF MAINE**

**AS PASSED BY THE**

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**IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,**  
**TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.**

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**Augusta, Maine**  
**2015**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §652, sub-§16**, as amended by PL 2009, c. 598, §27, is further amended to read:

**16. Low-speed vehicle.** A low-speed vehicle loaned by a dealer to a municipality; ~~and~~

**Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §652, sub-§17**, as enacted by PL 2009, c. 598, §28, is amended to read:

**17. Off-road vehicle.** An off-road vehicle; ~~and~~

**Sec. 3. 29-A MRSA §652, sub-§18** is enacted to read:

**18. Vehicle model year 1995 to 1999.** A vehicle that is model year 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998 or 1999 if:

A. A recycler, salvage vehicle dealer or scrap processor obtains the seller's name and the address of the seller's residence from a government-issued photograph identification document or credential and maintains the seller's name and address and vehicle identification number of the scrapped vehicle for a period of at least one year; and

B. A recycler, salvage vehicle dealer or scrap processor reports the destruction of the vehicle to the Secretary of State within 30 days in a manner prescribed by the Secretary of State.

This subsection applies only to vehicles that are scrapped. For purposes of this subsection, a government-issued photograph identification document or credential includes, but is not limited to, a current and valid United States passport, military identification, driver's license or nondriver identification card.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect July 1, 2015.

Effective July 1, 2015.

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**CHAPTER 89  
S.P. 198 - L.D. 529**

**An Act To Amend the Law  
Concerning Motor Vehicles at  
Railroad Crossings**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2076, sub-§2**, as enacted by PL 1993, c. 683, Pt. A, §2 and affected by Pt. B, §5, is amended to read:

**2. Warning devices.** ~~When a crossing is protected by gates that are lowered or being lowered, or a~~

~~flagger or automatic signal is indicating that a train is approaching, an operator shall bring a vehicle to a full stop at a distance of not less than 10 feet from the nearest rail of the crossing. An operator of a motor vehicle approaching a railroad crossing shall do so in a manner so that the operator will be able to stop if necessary. The operator shall stop the vehicle not less than 15 feet and not more than 50 feet from the nearest rail of the railroad track and may not proceed if:~~

A. A clearly visible electric or mechanical signal device warns of the approach of a train;

B. A crossing gate is lowered or a flagger gives or continues to give a signal or warning of the approach or passage of a train;

C. A train is visible and is in hazardous proximity to the crossing; or

D. A sign, device or law requires the vehicle to stop.

A vehicle may proceed across the track when the gates have been raised, the flagger indicates that no train is approaching, or, if there is an ~~automatic electric or mechanical~~ signal device, the operator has ascertained that no train is approaching. An operator proceeding by an ~~automatic electric or mechanical~~ signal device shall use extra caution.

See title page for effective date.

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**CHAPTER 90  
H.P. 214 - L.D. 320**

**An Act Regarding the  
Tracking of Wounded Animals  
with a Leashed Dog**

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

**Sec. 1. 12 MRSA §11109, sub-§3, ¶N**, as amended by PL 2005, c. 12, Pt. III, §4, is repealed.

**Sec. 2. 12 MRSA §11111**, as enacted by PL 2003, c. 655, Pt. B, §117 and affected by §422, is repealed and the following enacted in its place:

**§11111. Tracking wounded animals with a leashed dog**

**1. Permit required.** Except as provided in section 12862 or otherwise authorized pursuant to this Part, a person may not use a leashed dog to track a wounded animal without a valid permit issued pursuant to this section. For purposes of this section, "wounded animal" means a lawfully wounded bear, deer or moose.

**2. Eligibility; license fee.** A person who holds a valid big game hunting license may obtain from the