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## **An Act To Establish a Minimum Suspension for Negligent Operation When a Fatality Results from a Motor Vehicle Accident**

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

**Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §2458, sub-§2-A** is enacted to read:

**2-A. Minimum suspension for negligent operation.** The Secretary of State without preliminary hearing shall suspend for a period of at least 3 years a person's license if the Secretary of State, based on the Secretary of State's records or other sufficient evidence, finds that person to have recklessly or negligently operated a motor vehicle in a manner so as to cause the death of another person. Prior to the determination and issuance of the suspension, the Secretary of State shall notify any family of the victim and shall consider written or oral statements received from the family in response to the notice. Upon suspending the person's license, the Secretary of State shall notify that person of an opportunity for hearing as provided in section 2483.

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