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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

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An Act to Modify the Laws Regarding Driver's License Applications

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

Sec. 1. 29-A MRSA §1251, sub-§1-A, as amended by PL 2001, c. 687, §14, is further amended to read:

1-A. Residents required to obtain license. Within 30 days of becoming a resident of this State, a person shall apply to obtain a license in accordance with section 1301. Except as provided in section 510, subsection 1, a person who fails to comply with the requirement of this subsection and operates a motor vehicle on a public way or parking area commits: a traffic infraction. If the person has been a resident for at least 90 days the penalty is a fine of not less than \$150 and not more than \$500.

A. A traffic infraction if the person has been a resident for less than 90 days; or

B. A Class E crime if the person has been a resident for at least 90 days.

Sec. 2. 29-A MRSA §1301, sub-§6, as repealed and replaced by PL 2005, c. 250, §2, is amended to read:

6. Social security number. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the social security number of any applicant for a license or nondriver identification card must be recorded on the application, and the Secretary of State may not issue a license or nondriver identification card to a person who does not possess and provide a valid social security number. The Secretary of State shall collect, store and verify the social security number of an applicant for a license or nondriver identification card and may use that number to establish a permanent license number or nondriver identification number. This subsection does not apply to a person who provides written proof to the Secretary of State that the person is legally ineligible to receive a social security number.