

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND AND FIFTEEN

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S.P. 188 - L.D. 520

**An Act To Amend the Requirement for a Certificate of Title for Junk and  
Scrap Automobiles and Vehicles**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** properly disposing of automobiles that have reached the end of their useful lives is in the best interest of Maine's environment and aesthetics; and

**Whereas,** the inconsistency between Maine and neighboring jurisdictions in the certificate of title requirements for automobiles destined for junk and scrap metal disposal has caused a loss of employment and income to Maine residents and income tax revenue to the State; and

**Whereas,** to reduce the loss of employment, income and revenue, it is imperative that this legislation take effect as soon as possible; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

**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~~ 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.