

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, February 3, 1937.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Wilkes of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Bastardy Proceedings.

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

R. S., c. 111, § 2, amended. Section 2 of chapter 111, of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Sec. 2. Applications for bastardy warrants. A justice of any court having jurisdiction in proceedings in bastardy shall not issue any warrant or complaint for the apprehension of the accused, unless the complainant shall produce prima facie evidence which shall consist of an affidavit sworn to under oath by a physician duly qualified to practice within the state, that the said complainant has been examined by said physician and been found to be pregnant. After said evidence has been duly examined by said justice, he may issue said warrant or complaint, directed to the sheriff of any county in which the accused is supposed to reside, or to either of his deputies, or to a constable of any town in such county accompanied by such accusation and examination.’