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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to the Reporting of Divorces to State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 25, § 397, repealed and replaced. Section 397 of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 397. Records of divorces and annulments. At the end of each term of court the clerk of courts shall file with the State Registrar of Vital Statistics a record of each divorce and annulment of marriage granted in his county since the next preceding term.

The plaintiff shall furnish to the clerk of courts with the complaint such personal information as the State Registrar of Vital Statistics shall require on a form prescribed and furnished by the State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

The clerk of courts shall complete the form by furnishing information concerning the decree from the official court record and shall forward the completed record to the State Registrar of Vital Statistics.

The record of divorce prepared for the State Registrar of Vital Statistics shall not become a part of the official record of the court.'

Sec. 2. Effective date. This act shall become effective on January 1, 1962.