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House of Representatives, February 8, 1961

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Beane of Augusta.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Disclosure of Vital Records.

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

R. S., c. 25, § 397-A, sub-§ V, additional. Section 397-A of chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 7 of chapter 298 of the public laws of 1957, is amended by adding a new subsection to be numbered V, to read as follows:

‘V. Persons own records disclosed. Vital records of a person shall be made available at any reasonable time upon his request or to his duly designated attorney or agent, or attorney for an agent designated by such person or by a court having jurisdiction over said person whether the request be made in person, by mail, telephone or otherwise, provided the registrar is satisfied as to the identity of the requester, and if an attorney or agent, provided the registrar is satisfied as to his authority to act as such agent or attorney. If such agent or attorney has been appointed by a court of competent jurisdiction, or his appearance for such person is entered therein, the registrar shall upon request so ascertain by telephone call to the register, clerk or recorder of said court, and this shall be deemed sufficient justification to compel compliance with the request for said record. The state registrar shall, as soon as possible, designate persons in the Office of Vital Statistics who may act in his absence, or in case of his disqualification, to carry out the intent of this subsection.’