

STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 103rd LEGISLATURE

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 895, L.D. 1296, Bill, "An Act Relating to Adoption."

Amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Sec. 1. R.S., T. 19, §531, amended. Section 531 of Title 19 of the Revised Statutes is amended by inserting before the last sentence, a new sentence, to read as follows:

The court shall be deemed to have jurisdiction hereunder if such person shall have been continuously within the State or a United States military reservation herein for a period of at least 3 months prior to the date of the petition.

Sec. 2. R.S., T. 19, §532, amended. The 2nd sentence of the 2nd paragraph of section 532 of Title 19 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

The consent of the parents and the child when required must be acknowledged before a-justice-of-the-peace-or-notary-public the judge, or in his absence, the register of probate, of the court having jurisdiction of the petition or someone appointed by the judge for the purposes of the particular case.

Sec. 3. R.S., T. 19, §532, amended. Section 532 of Title 19 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding at the end the following:

When the parental rights of a minor living in this State had been terminated voluntarily or by judicial determination to a duly licensed public or private agency in another state or country in accordance with the laws of such state or country, such consent shall be given by such duly authorized agency and no notice need be given to the parents.

Reported by the Committee on Judiciary.

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