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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 1083

H. P. 810

House of Representatives, February 24, 1971

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

BERTHA W. JOHNSON, Clerk

Presented by Mr. McTeague of Brunswick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Recrimination as a Defense in an Action for Divorce.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 19, § 691, amended. The 3rd sentence from the end of the first paragraph of section 691 of Title 19 of the Revised Statutes is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

When there is collusion between the parties to procure a divorce, it shall not be granted.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 19, § 691, amended. The first paragraph of section 691 of Title 19 of the Revised Statutes is amended by inserting before the last sentence the following new sentence:

Recrimination shall be a comparative rather than an absolute defense in any divorce action.

STATEMENT OF FACT

It is the intent of this Act that recrimination be comparative rather than an absolute defense in divorce actions.