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EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Cote of Lewiston.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Pertaining to Birth Records.

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

22 MRSA § 2761, sub-§ 6 is enacted to read:

6. Hyphenated names. In all cases where the parents of the child choose to give the child a hyphenated last name, being a combination of the last name of the father and the last name of the mother, the last name of the father shall appear first.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to clarify the proper method to complete a birth record when parents choose to give the child a combination of the last name of the parents. This is necessary in order to have uniformity in record keeping.