

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

**No. 731**

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S. P. 236

In Senate, March 8, 1977

On Motion of Senator Huber of Cumberland referred to the Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

MAY M. ROSS, Secretary

Presented by Senator Huber of Cumberland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-SEVEN

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**AN ACT** Requiring the Provision of Certain Information to Marriage  
Applicants by Municipal Officials.

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

22 MRSA c. 406-A is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 406-A  
INFORMATIONAL SERVICES

§ 1921. Legislative intent

The Legislature has declared that "it is consistent with public policy to make available comprehensive medical knowledge, assistance and services relating to family planning." To most effectively implement this policy, the Legislature further declares that information concerning the availability of family planning services shall be provided to all applicants for marriage licenses.

§ 1922. Authority

Each town or city clerk in this State is directed to offer, at the time of application, a directory of sources of family planning information and services to each person applying to such clerk for a marriage license.

§ 1923. Directory

The Commissioner of Human Services shall prepare and distribute as necessary to each town and city clerk a directory of public and private sources of family planning information and services within the State. This directory shall include, but not be limited to, specific information concerning the avail-

ability of publicly supported family planning programs and general information concerning private sources of family planning information and services.

§ 1924. Refusal

Acceptance of information on the availability of family planning information and services may be refused by any applicant.

§ 1925. Construction

This chapter shall be construed in accordance with chapter 406.

STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill will allow more effective implementation of Title 22, chapter 406 by providing wider knowledge of the availability of family planning services.