

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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7 H.P. 396

House of Representatives, February 1, 1983

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9 Committee on Judiciary, and ordered printed pursuant to Joint Rule 14.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative Soule of Westport.
Cosponsor: Senator Baldacci of Penobscot.

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12 STATE OF MAINE
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
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17 AN ACT to Permit Birth Certificates to
18 be Amended.
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20 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as
21 follows:

22 22 MRSA §2765, sub-§1 is amended to read:

23 1. New certificate of birth. The state registrar
24 shall establish a new certificate of birth for a
25 person born in this State when he receives the fol-
26 lowing:

27 A. A certificate of adoption as provided in
28 Title 19, section 533, or a certified copy of the
29 decree of adoption along with the information
30 necessary to identify the original certificate
31 and establish the new certificate of birth;
32 except that a new certificate shall not be estab-

1 lished if so requested by the adopting parents or
2 the adopted person;

3 B. A request that a new certificate be estab-
4 lished and such evidence as the department may
5 require by regulation proving that such person
6 has been legitimated; and

7 C. A new certificate of birth issued pursuant to
8 paragraph A may be amended to include the name or
9 names of the natural parents upon application to
10 the department of the person for whom the new
11 certificate of birth was issued only upon that
12 person's affidavit that he knew and lived with
13 natural parents and that his natural parents
14 were deceased at the time of his adoption.

15 STATEMENT OF FACT

16 The purpose of this bill is to permit adopted
17 persons to amend their birth certificates by adding
18 the names of their natural parents if such adopted
19 person knew and lived with his natural parents and if
20 their natural parents were deceased at the time of
21 the adoption.

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