

(New	Draft of H.P. 396, L.D. 479) (New Title)
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H.P. 1202	House of Representatives, May 12, 1983
	presentative Soule from the Committee on Judiciary and
printed under Joint I Original bill pres by Senator Baldacci	sented by Representative Soule of Westport. Cosponsored
	EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk
	STATE OF MAINE
NINE	IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD TEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-THREE
	to Provide a Statement of Birth ents' Identity for Adoptees.
Be it enacted follows:	by the People of the State of Maine as
22 MRSA §2	766 is enacted to read:
<u>§2766.</u> Statem	ent of birth parents' identity
adopted in thi trar for a s The adoptee sh	18 years of age or older, born and s State, may apply to the state regis- tatement identifying his birth parents. all submit to the state registrar the
following:	

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1 2. Affidavit. An affidavit from a blood rela-2 tive who is not a sibling and who is at least 10 years older than the adoptee, verifying that the 3 4 adoptee lived with the birth parents for 5 years; and 5 3. Order. An order from the Probate Court or Superior Court authorizing the state registrar to 6 open the original birth certificate to verify the 7 8 identity of the birth parents. 9 Upon verification of the information in this 10 section, the state registrar shall prepare a form identifying the birth parents of the adoptee. This 11 12 form shall be attached to the new certificate of 13 birth established pursuant to section 2765. A copy 14 of the form shall be attached to an abstract of birth 15 issued by the Office of Vital Statistics and shall 16 be provided to the adoptee. 17 A statement of identification of the birth parents shall not affect the rights of inheritance and 18 19 descent. The form shall contain the following words in a conspicuous place: "This statement shall not 20 21 affect the rights of inheritance and descent of the adoptee." 22

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This new draft replaces the original bill and clarifies the requirements an adoptee must meet in order to qualify for the statement identifying his birth parents.

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