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No. 662

H.P. 468

House of Representatives, February 19, 1991

Reference to the Committee on Legal Affairs suggested and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Representative PINEAU of Jay.
Cosponsored by Representative McHENRY of Madawaska.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-ONE

An Act Concerning the Signing of Marriage Certificates.



Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as fol	lows:
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	19]	MRSA §62,	, sub-§2,	as	enacted	by	PL	1989,	c.	225,	Şз,	is
4	amended	to read:		•								
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6	2.	Ceremony	perform	ed.	Each m	arri	age	licer	se	issue	d sha	all
	<u>must</u> be	completed	and the	ce	rtificat	ion	sta	atement	: si	gned :	by b	oth
8	parties	to the	intended	ma	arriage.	Tl	ne	comple	ted	lice	nse	or
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licenses shall <u>must</u> be delivered to the person solemnizing the marriage. Upon completion of the solemnization, which shall <u>must</u> be performed in the presence of at least 2 witnesses other than the person officiating, the person officiating and—the—2—witnesses shall <u>enter the names of the 2 witnesses on the license</u>

or licenses and shall sign the license or licenses, which, from then on, shall-be are known as the marriage certificate or

16 certificates.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

This bill requires the person performing a marriage ceremony to write the names of the witnesses on the license rather than requiring the witnesses to sign the license.