

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE.

No. 25.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND
EIGHTY-THREE.

AN ACT to amend section one, chapter twenty-four,
of the revised statutes, relating to pauper settle-
ments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives
in Legislature assembled, as follows :*

Chapter twenty-four, section one, specification
2 one, of the revised statutes, is hereby amended by
3 adding thereto, the following words:

4 “And no derivative settlement shall be acquired
5 or changed by a marriage so procured, but the
6 children of such marriage and their descendants
7 shall have the settlement they would have had if
8 no such marriage had taken place.”

9 And the same rule shall be applied in all contro-
 10 versies touching the settlement of paupers between
 11 the town by whose officers a marriage is thus pro-
 12 cured and any other town, whether the person
 13 whose marriage is thus procured is a pauper at the
 14 time of the marriage or becomes so subsequently.

15 So that said specification, amended, shall be as
 16 follows:

17 *Sect. I.* A married woman has the settlement
 18 of her husband, if he has any in the state; if he
 19 has not, her own settlement is not affected by her
 20 marriage. When it appears in a suit between
 21 towns involving the settlement of a pauper, that a
 22 marriage was procured to change it by the agency
 23 or collusion of the officers of either town or any
 24 person having charge of such pauper under author-
 25 ity of either town, the settlement is not affected by
 26 such marriage; and no derivative settlement shall
 27 be acquired or changed by a marriage so procured,
 28 but the children of such marriage and their des-
 29 cendants shall have the settlement they would
 30 have had if no such marriage had taken place.

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 32 versies touching the settlement of paupers between
 33 the town by whose officers a marriage is thus pro-

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34 cured, and any other town, whether the person
35 whose marriage is thus procured is a pauper at the
36 time of the marriage or becomes so subsequently.

STATE OF MAINE.

In HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
January 26, 1883. }

Reported by Mr. THOMPSON, from Committee on Legal Affairs,
and ordered printed.

ORAMANDAL SMITH, *Clerk.*