

Sixty-Second Legislature.

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No. 8.

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section four, chapter fifty-nine of the Revised Statutes, relating to Marriage and its Solemnization.

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

SECTION 1. Section four of chapter fifty-nine of 2 the Revised Statutes, is hereby amended by strik-3 ing out after the word "resides," in the third line, 4 and in the sixth line the words "at least five days," 5 and inserting after the word "granted," in the 6 seventh line, the words following: 'residents of 7 other states coming into this state for the purpose 8 of marriage, shall present to the minister, justice 9 of the peace, or other person solemnizing the mar-10 riage, a certificate from the clerk of the town or

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11 city where the marriage is to be performed, that the12 intention of such marriage has been duly recorded13 by him,' so that section four of the Revised14 Statutes shall read as follows:

'SECT. 4. Residents of the state intending to be 2 joined in marriage, shall cause notice of their in-3 tentions to be recorded in the office of the clerk of 4 the town in which each resides, before a certificate 5 of such intentions is granted; and if one only of 6 the parties resides in the state, they shall cause 7 notice of their intentions to be recorded in the 8 office of the clerk of the town in which such party 9 resides, before such certificate is granted; resi-10 dents of other states coming into this state for the 11 purpose of marriage, shall present to the minister. 12 justice of the peace, or other person solemnizing 13 the marriage, a certificate from the clerk of the 14 town or city where the marriage is to be performed, 15 that the intention of such marriage has been duly 16 recorded by him and the book in which such 17 record is made shall be labelled on the outside of 18 its cover, 'Record of intentions of marriage,' and 19 be kept open to public inspection in the office of 20 the clerk; and if there is no such clerk in the 21 place of their residence, the like entry shall be 22 made with the clerk of an adjoining town.'

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IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, January 20, 1885.

Presented by Mr. HALE, and on his motion ordered printed.

NICHOLAS FESSENDEN, Clerk.