

SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 508

House of Representatives, March 7, 1917.

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W. R. ROIX, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Brewster of Portland.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

AN ACT amending Section 14 of Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes in relation to the custody of minor children at the time of decreeing a divorce.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows: Section 14, Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes, relating
to divorce is amended by inserting after the word "live" and
before the word "alter" in the fourth line of said section,
the following words, 'or grant the care and custody of said
children to a third person, or to some suitable society or
institution for the care and protection of children,' so that
said section as amended shall read as follows:

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'Sect. 14. The court making a decree of nullity, or of di-2 vorce, or any justice thereof in vacation, may also decree 3 concerning the care, custody and support of the minor chil-4 dren of the parties and with which parent any of them shall 5 live, or grant the care and custody of said children to a 6 third person or to some suitable society or institution for 7 the care and protection of children, alter its decree from 8 time to time as circumstances require; change the name of 9 the wife, at her request; and in execution of the powers 10 given it in this chapter may employ any compulsory process 11 which it deems proper, by execution, attachment or other ef-12 fectual form.'

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