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# EIGHTIETH LEGISLATURE

### HOUSE

### NO. 426

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Reported by Mr. Cole from Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

## STATE OF MAINE

#### IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Adoption.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:
Section thirty-five, chapter seventy-two of the revised stat2 utes is hereby amended by striking out in the fourth line
3 thereof the words, "not theirs by birth," so that said section
4 as amended shall read as follows:

'Sect. 35. Any unmarried inhabitant of the state, or any 2 husband and wife jointly, may petition the judge of pro-3 bate for their county for leave to adopt a child and for a 4 change of his name. Any unmarried inhabitant of another 5 state, or any non-resident husband and wife jointly, may 6 present such petition in the probate court of the county 7 where such child lives.'