

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE**

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**HOUSE**

**NO. 151**

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House of Representatives, Feb. 22, 1923.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and five hundred copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Maher of Augusta.

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**STATE OF MAINE**

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

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AN ACT to Amend Section Thirty-four of Chapter Sixty-four  
of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Return of Divorces.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section thirty-four of chapter sixty-four of the revised  
2 statutes is hereby amended by adding 'said clerks shall re-  
3 ceive, as compensation for said services, the sum of fifty  
4 cents for each case reported, which compensation shall be  
5 paid by the state on presentation, by the various clerks, of  
6 bills duly approved by any justice of the supreme judicial  
7 or any superior courts. The compensation paid as above  
8 directed shall be taken from the appropriation made for

9 the state board of health,' so that said section as amended  
10 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 34. The clerks of courts for the several counties  
2 shall, annually, during the month of February, make re-  
3 turns to the registrar of vital statistics relating to libels  
4 for divorce in their respective counties for the calendar  
5 year next preceding. Such returns shall specify the fol-  
6 lowing details: the number of divorces granted; the names  
7 of the parties, including the maiden name, any other former  
8 name of female, if any, when ascertainable. Said clerk  
9 shall receive as compensation for said services, the sum of  
10 fifty cents for each case reported, which compensation shall  
11 be paid by the state on presentation, by the various clerks,  
12 of bills duly approved by any justice of the supreme judi-  
13 cial or any superior courts. The compensation paid as  
14 above directed shall be taken from the appropriation made  
15 for the state board of health.'