

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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**House Document**

**No. 355**

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H. P. 1067                      House of Representatives, Mar. 9, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Dudley of Calais.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT Relating to the Heirship of an Illegitimate Child.

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

Section three of chapter eighty of the revised statutes is  
2 hereby amended by adding in the sixth line thereof after  
3 the word "father" the words 'or if in an action of bastardy  
4 the respondent is adjudged the father of such child,' so  
5 that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sect. 3. An illegitimate child born after the twenty-fourth  
2 day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
3 hundred and sixty-four, is the heir of his parents who inter-  
4 marry. And any such child, born at any time, is the heir  
5 of his mother. And if the father of an illegitimate child  
6 adopts him or her into his family, or in writing acknowl-

7 edges before some justice of the peace or notary public,  
8 that he is the father, or if in an action of bastardy, the  
9 respondent is adjudged the father of such child, such child  
10 is also the heir of his or her father. And in each case such  
11 child and its issue shall inherit from its parents respectively,  
12 and from their lineal and collateral kindred, and these from  
13 such child and its issue the same as if legitimate.'