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House of Representatives, Feb. 8, 1933.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Fenlason of N. Anson.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-  
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AN ACT Relating to Certified Copies of Records of Murder Trials.

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

**Chapter 146, § 28, amended.** Section 28 of chapter 146 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**‘Sec. 28. Copy of proceedings in murder cases to be filed with clerk of courts.** Whenever any person is convicted of murder, a copy of the indictment, plea, evidence, and charge of the presiding justice, certified by the official stenographer, shall be filed with the clerk of the court where such trial is held. If such stenographer is paid an annual salary, the making and filing of said copy shall be without extra compensation, otherwise the expense thereof shall be paid by the county; but this section shall not apply to cases where a motion for a new trial is filed and granted, as to the evidence and charge in any trial but the last. ~~A copy of the indictment, plea, evidence, and charge of the presiding justice, certified by the official stenographer, shall also be filed in the office of the secretary of state, so that it may be used in any pardon hearing before the governor and council, and the expense thereof shall be paid by the state. The state shall pay the expense of having the evidence and charge transcribed by the official stenographer in any murder cases heretofore tried, where a pardon is sought by one serving a life sentence in the state prison who is~~

unable to pay therefor, if he, or she, claims to be innocent of the crime, the transcript to be filed in the office of the secretary of state, for use as above provided.'