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Legislative Document

No. 366

H. P. 1142

House of Representatives, February 5, 1935.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Vaughan of South Berwick.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Competency of Witnesses to a Will.

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

R. S., c. 88, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 88 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Will, by whom and how to be made. A person of sound mind, and of the age of 21 years, and a married woman or widow of any age, may dispose of his real and personal estate by will, in writing, signed by him, or by some person for him at his request, and in his presence, and subscribed in his presence by 3 credible attesting witnesses, ~~not beneficially interested under said will.~~ but a beneficial devise legacy or interest to a subscribing witness or to the husband or wife of such witness shall be void unless there are 3 other subscribing witnesses to the will who are not similarly benefited thereunder.'