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In Senate, January 18, 1939.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs and sent down for concurrence.
500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Marden of Kennebec.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to the Ownership of Cemetery Lots.

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

Sec. 1. Joint ownership of cemetery lots, regulated. On and after the effective date of this act, no persons shall obtain joint ownership in any lot in any cemetery or burial ground by purchase or gift, or in any other manner, except by inheritance. Any attempt to pass such title shall be null and void.

Sec. 2. Right of action against cemetery owners or managers, regulated. No action at law or equity shall be brought against any cemetery association or corporation, or the officers or the employees thereof, if the said association or corporation or the officers or employees thereof shall bury a dead human body in a lot, or remove a dead human body from a lot, when the association, corporation, its officers or its employees have authority from one of the legal heirs of the owner of the lot, so to act; unless the legal heirs of the owner of the lot have elected one of the said legal heirs to act for them, or have delegated some legal representative to act for them.