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In Senate, February 9, 1939.

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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Mr. Graves of Hancock.

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## S T A T E   O F   M A I N E

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
THIRTY-NINE

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### AN ACT Relating to Returns of Vital Statistics.

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

P. L., 1933, c. 1, § 75, amended. Section 75 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933 is hereby amended to read as follows :

**‘Sec. 75. Town clerks required to make returns to state registrar, monthly; copies to be typewritten or in legible hand.** The clerk of every town shall keep a chronological record of all births, marriages, and deaths reported to him, or known to him, and shall, between the 10th and the 15th of every month, transmit to the state registrar ~~a copy of the record the~~ **original report** of all births, marriages, and deaths which have occurred within the month next preceding, together with the names, residences, and official stations of all persons who have neglected to make returns to him in relation to the subject matters of such records, which the law required them to make, all to be made upon blanks to be prepared and furnished by the state registrar; and if no births, marriages, or deaths have occurred in the aforementioned period of time or month, for which returns are to be made, the town clerk shall send the state registrar a statement to that effect. Whenever a birth, marriage, or death, required by law to be returned to such clerk, is reported to him, or he learns of it, too late for inclusion in

his returns as provided hereunder to the state registrar, he shall, after it is reported to him, or after he has knowledge of it, make due returns thereof to the state registrar forthwith. ~~The registrar of vital statistics shall require all copies which are transmitted under the provisions of this section to be typewritten or written with black durable ink in a fair or legible hand.~~

Any city or town clerk who neglects or refuses to make or causes to be made the returns as required by this section shall forfeit not less than \$20 nor more than \$100 to the use of the state.'