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EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

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H. P. 1609 House of Representatives, February 14, 1939.
Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Everett of Norridgewock.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Disposal of Minor Children in Divorce Proceedings.

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

R. S., c. 73, § 14, amended. Section 14 of chapter 73 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 14. Disposal of minor children; change name of wife; employ compulsory process deemed proper; expense of maintenance and education. The court making a decree of nullity, or of divorce, or any justice thereof in vacation, may also decree concerning the care, custody, and support of the minor children of the parties and with which parents any of them shall live, or grant the care and custody of said children to a third person or to some suitable society or institution for the care and protection of children or to the state department of health and welfare, alter its decree from time to time as circumstances require; change the name of the wife, at her request; and in execution of the powers given it in this chapter may employ any compulsory process which it deems proper, by execution, attachment, or other effectual form. The expense of maintenance and education of children committed to care and custody of the department of health and welfare under the provisions of this section shall be borne in accordance with the provisions of section 206 of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933.'