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#### EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Shesong of Portland.

#### STATE OF MAINE

## IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

#### AN ACT Relating to Business Records as Evidence.

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

- **Sec. 1. Definition.** The term "business" shall include every kind of buiness, profession, occupation, calling or operation of institutions, whether carried on for profit or not.
- Sec. 2. Business records. A record of an act, condition or event, shall, in so far as relevant, be competent evidence if the custodian or other qualified witness testifies to its identity and the mode of its preparation, and if it was made in the regular course of business, at or near the time of the act, condition or event, and if, in the opinion of the court, the sources of information method and time of preparation were such as to justify its admission.
- Sec. 3. Uniformity of interpretation. This act shall be so interpreted and construed as to effectuate its general purpose to make uniform the law of those states which enact it.
- Sec. 4. Short title. This act may be cited as the "Uniform Business Records as Evidence Act."
- Sec. 5. Repeal. All acts or parts of acts which are inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.