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House of Representatives, February 3, 1949.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FORTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Vital Statistics.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 370, amended. The last sentence of section 370 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

‘Any person who wilfully makes a false return or wilfully gives false information to be used in preparing a record of a birth or death shall be punished as provided in section 390 of this chapter.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 376, amended. Section 376 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘**Sec. 376. Cremation of bodies of the dead.** Any person, firm or corporation within the state, with the approval of the department, may establish and maintain suitable buildings and appliances for the cremation of bodies of the dead and, subject to such regulations as said department may from time to time make, may cremate such bodies and dispose of the ashes of the same, but if the ashes are interred in a cemetery a permit for burial shall be required.’

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 22, § 384, amended. Section 384 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence, to read as follows:

'When it is found that any birth is not recorded as required, the clerk shall require the person or persons whose duty it was to report such birth to make a return forthwith.'