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S. P. 413

In Senate, February 28, 1951.

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Barnes of Aroostook.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Legitimacy of Children.

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

R. S., c. 156, § 3, amended. Section 3 of chapter 156 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 3. Heirship of an illegitimate child; descent of estate. An illegitimate child born after the 24th day of March, 1864 is the heir **and legitimate child** of his parents who intermarry. Any such child, born at any time, is the heir of his mother. If the father of an illegitimate child adopts him or her into his family or in writing acknowledges before some justice of the peace or notary public, that he is the father, such child is also the heir **and legitimate child** of his or her father. In each case such child and its issue shall inherit from its parents respectively, and from their lineal and collateral kindred, and these from such child and its issue the same as if legitimate.'