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HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

**AN ACT Relating to Certificates of Marriage to Males Under Eighteen
Years of Age.**

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

R. S., c. 153, § 5, amended. The 1st sentence of section 5 of chapter 153 of the revised statutes, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'On and after the 5th day from the filing of notice of intentions of marriage, except as otherwise provided, the clerk shall deliver to the parties a certificate specifying the time when such intentions were entered with him; and it shall be delivered to the minister or magistrate before he begins to solemnize the marriage, which shall be performed in the presence of at least 2 witnesses besides the clergyman or magistrate officiating; but no such certificate shall be issued to a male ~~under 21~~ or to a female under 18 years of age, without the written consent of their parents, guardians, or persons to whom a court has given custody of such minors first presented, if they have any living; in the absence of persons qualified to give consent, the judge of probate in the county where such minors reside may, after notice and hearing grant consent; when 2 licenses are required and when either or both applicants for a marriage license are under the ages specified in this section the written consent shall be given for the issuance of both licenses and such written consent shall be given in the presence of the clerk issuing the license or by acknowledgment under seal filed with such clerk.'