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House of Representatives, February 4, 1953.

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

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Fickett of Naples.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT to Include the Typing of Blood in Premarital Examinations.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 22, § 107, amended. The 1st sentence of section 107 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows :

‘Except as herein otherwise provided in sections 108 to 115, inclusive, no application for a marriage license shall be accepted by the town or city clerk unless accompanied by or unless there shall have been previously filed with him a statement or statements signed by a physician duly licensed to practice in the state of Maine, or by a physician duly licensed to practice outside of the state of Maine who is a graduate of a class A medical school, that each applicant has been given a physical examination, including **blood typing, and** a standard blood test, as required by the bureau of health for the discovery of syphilis, made on a day specified in the statement, which shall not be more than the 30th day prior to that on which the license is applied for, said **blood typing and** blood test to be made by the state laboratory or by a hospital laboratory approved by the bureau of health, and that in the opinion of the physician the person therein named is not infected with syphilis, or, if so infected, is not in a stage of that disease whereby it may become communicable.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, § 109, amended. The 1st sentence of section 109 of chapter 22 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Each physician's statement shall be accompanied by a statement from the person in charge of the laboratory making the **blood type and** test or tests, or from some other person authorized to make such statement, setting forth the **type of the blood and the** name of the test or tests, the date it was completed and the name and address of each person whose blood was **typed and** tested, but not stating the result of the test or tests.'