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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE

AN ACT Relating to Report of Adoption Filed in Probate Court.

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

R. S., c. 145, § 37, repealed and replaced. The last paragraph of section 37 of chapter 145 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'A certified copy of the birth record of the child proposed for adoption shall be presented with the petition for adoption, provided such a certified copy can be obtained or can be made available by filing a delayed return of birth. After the adoption has been decreed the register of probate shall forthwith file with the registrar of vital statistics and the town clerk where the birth occurred a report of the adoption on a form prescribed and furnished by the registrar of vital statistics. The report of the adoption shall contain a certificate by the register of probate of the facts contained in the record of adoption together with an affidavit by the adopting parent or parents or other person having knowledge thereof as to certain material facts required for registration. The registrar of vital statistics shall file with the proper town clerk a copy of the birth certificate made from the report of the adoption. Any certificate of birth of such child thereafter issued shall be issued in accordance with the facts contained in the report of adoption and shall state in addition that such new certificate is issued under the provisions of this section, a reference to which shall be printed on every such certificate.'