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S. P. 345 In Senate, February 21, 1957. Referred to the Committee on Judiciary. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Woodcock of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Out of Court Proof of Wills.

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

R. S., c. 154, § 7, amended. Section 7 of chapter 154 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph, as follows:

'As another method of probating a will, the attesting witnesses to any will or codicil may, at the request of the testator, make and sign an affidavit before any officer authorized to administer oaths in or out of this State, stating such facts as they would be required to testify to in court to prove such will or codicil, which affidavit shall be written on such will or codicil, or on some paper attached thereto, and the sworn statement of such witnesses so taken shall be accepted by the judge as if the witnesses had testified to such facts before him in court.'