

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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PUBLIC ACTS

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE,

PASSED BY THE

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE,

JANUARY SESSION, 1838.

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Chapter 337.

AN ADDITIONAL ACT to define the powers, duties, and restrictions of Insurance Companies.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled,* That it shall be, and hereby is made the duty of all Mutual Fire Insurance Companies, in this State, to set forth in all policies by them issued, in distinct sections, every requirement or rule, the non-compliance with which is intended to vacate said policy; and unless so specified in said policies, no rule, by-law or requirement made by said Company shall have any binding effect on the insured, any law or usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

Mutual Fire Insurance Companies to specify material requirements in their policies.

—rules not so specified not binding upon insured.

SECT. 2. *Be it further enacted,* That it shall be the duty of the officers of said Companies to furnish any member thereof with a copy of said requirements or rules, in the form specified in the preceding section on demand, and also insert the same in the certificate of the renewal of every policy granted by them.

Duties of Officers.

[Approved by the Governor March 22, 1838.]

Chapter 338.

AN ACT additional respecting wills and testaments, and regulating the descent of intestate estates.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, That every illegitimate child shall be considered as an heir of the person, who shall have been adjudged the putative father of such illegitimate child by any Court of competent jurisdiction, or who shall in writing acknowledge himself to be the father of such child; and in all cases, shall be considered as the heir of his mother, and shall inherit his and her estate, in whole or in part, as the case may be, in the same manner as if he had been born in lawful wedlock, but he shall not be allowed

Illegitimate children made heirs in certain cases.