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SENATE.

No. 6.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FIVE.

AN ACT to amend section twenty-seven of chapter fiftynine of the revised statutes, in relation to the adoption of children.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows :

SECTION 1. That instead of the consent of each pa-2 rent of the child sought to be adopted, as required in 3 chapter fifty-nine, section twenty-seven, of the revised 4 statutes, the written consent of the parent entitled to 5 the custody of such child shall be sufficient, when the 6 parents are or shall be separated from each other, from 7 the bonds of matrimony, or from bed and board.

SECT. 2. This act shall take effect when approved 2 by the governor.

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STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, February 2, 1865.

Reported by Mr. TENNEY, from the Committee on the Judiciary.

THOMAS P. CLEAVES, Secretary.