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to renewal, provided such renewal application is made within 2 years from the date of such expiration. If more than 2 years have passed since the expiration of license, applicant shall apply for temporary trainee permit and shall take the examination.

Sec. 11. R. S., T. 32, § 1658-K, sub-§§ 3-A and 3-B, additional. Section 1658-K of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 320 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding 2 new subsections 3-A and 3-B to read as follows:

3-A. Without tests. Selling a hearing aid to a person who has not been given tests utilizing appropriate established procedures and instrumentation in fitting of hearing aids, except in cases of selling replacement hearing aids within a period of one year.

3-B. Negligence. Gross incompetence or negligence in fitting and selling hearing aids.

Sec. 12. R. S., T. 32, § 1659-B, amended. Section 1659-B of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 320 of the public laws of 1969, is amended by adding at the end the following 2 paragraphs:

The board may provide or make available opportunity for lectures, courses or workshops which will be useful and educational to licensees or trainees and may use its funds to sponsor such educational programs.

The board may recommend to the department the preparation and administration of suggested guidelines concerned with the fitting and selection of hearing aids in order that prospective licensees may possess the necessary backgrounds and qualifications to fit and sell hearing aids.

Sec. 13. R. S., T. 32, § 1659-C, amended. Section 1659-C of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by chapter 320 of the public laws of 1969, is amended to read as follows:

§ 1659-C. Meetings of board

The board shall meet not less than ~~once~~ twice each year at a place, day and hour determined by the board. The board shall meet at such other times and places as may be requested by the department.

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Chapter 328

AN ACT Relating to Salary and Duties of Executive Director and Assistant Director to the State Board of Nursing.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 2, § 6, sub-§ 6, amended. The 6th line of subsection 6 of section 6 of Title 2 of the Revised Statutes as enacted by section 1 of chapter 552 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed as follows:

~~Executive Director of the State Board of Nursing;~~

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 32, § 2153, sub-§ 11, repealed and replaced. Subsection 11 of section 2153 of Title 32 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 552 of the public laws of 1969, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

11. Executive and assistant director. Appoint and employ qualified persons, not members of the board, to serve as executive director and assistant executive director to the board, fix their compensation and define their duties.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 329

AN ACT Relating to Acceptance of Gifts and Purchases of State Lands.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 12, § 512, amended. The first sentence of section 512 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

The commissioner may, with the advice and consent of the Governor and Council, purchase, when funds are available from bequests or trusts other than bequests made or inter vivos trusts created by the late Percival Proctor Baxter, or accept on the part of the State gifts of parcels or tracts of land to the State, or may purchase land in the name of the State for state forest purposes and may also designate and set aside such lands or portions thereof as natural areas. The commissioner may not under this section acquire title by purchase to more than 4% of the land area within any one municipality without the written consent of the municipal officers thereof.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 12, § 512, amended. Section 512 of Title 12 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding at the end the following paragraphs:

“Natural areas” means limited areas of land which have retained their wilderness character, although not necessarily completely natural and undisturbed, or have rare or vanishing species of plant or animal life or similar features of interest which are worthy of preservation for the use of present and future residents of the State.

Natural areas held by the State shall include and be designated as one or more of the following 3 types, and the location of each shall be described in the designation:

Type 1. Semiwilderness areas which by their size or location offer the experience of solitude and self-reliance. Whereas lands at the higher elevations are important for protection of watersheds, are ecologically vulnerable if unwisely altered by human interference, and often may be uneconomic for logging or construction, it is hereby found that such lands generally may be suitable for this classification.