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STATE OF MAINE  
DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
AUGUSTA

December 22, 1933

Honorable Louis J. Brann  
Governor of Maine  
Augusta

My dear Governor Brann:

In response to the letter of December 12 addressed to you by Dr. George R. Hagerthy relative to his bill for per diem and expense in connection with the Board of Podiatry, I am pleased to call your attention to Section 3 of Chapter 140 of the Public Laws of 1933 which provides as follows:

"The members of the board of registration of medicine together with one podiatrist who shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall act as examiners of podiatrists."

Section 10 of the same act provides that,—

"All money received by the secretary of the board of registration of medicine from applicants for a license to practice podiatry, and for the renewal of licenses, shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state and shall be held in a special fund to be known as the 'podiatrist fund' and shall be used for carrying out the provisions of this act. The secretary of the board of registration of medicine, who, as herein provided, shall act a secretary of the examiners of podiatrists, and the podiatrist appointed by the governor, as herein provided, shall each receive \$5 for every day actually spent in the performance of the duties imposed upon them by the provisions of this act, and in addition thereto necessary traveling and hotel expenses actually incurred, said compensation and necessary expenses to be paid from the treasury of state upon a requisition signed by the chairman and secretary of the examiners of podiatrists and after approval by the state controller; provided, that the amount so paid shall in no case exceed the amount held by the treasurer of state in the special fund known as the 'podiatrist fund'."



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It is evident from the foregoing that only the secretary of the board and the podiatrist appointed by the governor are entitled to receive their expenses and per diem.

I am informed by the state controller that Dr. Hagerthy does not hold either of said offices, consequently the controller is not authorized to pay the two bills presented by the Doctor.

I am enclosing the aforesaid letter and bills.

Respectfully yours,

Deputy Attorney General

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