

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 288

S. P. 109

In Senate, January 21, 1971

Referred to Committee on Health and Institutional Services. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARRY N. STARBRANCH, Secretary

Presented by Senator Hoffses of Knox.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
SEVENTY-ONE

AN ACT Relating to Waiver of Examination for Certain Practical Nurses.

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

R. S., T. 32, § 2260, additional. Title 32 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 2260 to read as follows:

§ 2260. Out-of-state license

The Board of Registration of Nurses shall issue a license to practice as a practical nurse to any person who shall submit to the board written evidence, verified by oath, that said applicant:

1. **Waiver.** Was licensed under waiver from another state prior to September 1, 1968 and has passed a written licensing examination of the state in which the license was issued, and holds a current license of such state.
2. **Education.** Has completed at least 4 years of high school or its equivalent. Applicants over 30 years of age shall have completed at least 2 years of high school or its equivalent.
3. **Character.** Shall submit in writing 2 references of his good moral character.

STATEMENT OF FACT

The purpose of this bill is to provide equal rights for out-of-state licensed practical nurses under waiver during that period when Maine accepted licenses under waiver, prior to September 1, 1968. These people who passed a written examination and were licensed under waiver should be allowed to practice when coming to Maine and to obtain their licenses just as those in Maine are allowed to obtain their license when they were issued prior to September 1, 1968.