

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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**Legislative Document**

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H. P. 302

House of Representatives, January 28, 1975

Referred to Committee on Business Legislation. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Lovell of Sanford.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SEVENTY-FIVE

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### **AN ACT to Revise the Statutory Requirements for Registered Pharmacists.**

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

32 MRSA, § 2902, 4th sentence, as last amended by PL 1971, c. 598, § 73, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

No such certificate shall be issued unless the applicant is at least 18 years of age, of good moral character, a citizen of the United States or a person who has submitted sufficient evidence to the board of his intention to become a citizen of the United States and a graduate of a foreign or domestic school or college of pharmacy or a department of pharmacy of a foreign or domestic university, recognized by the board, and shall file proof satisfactory to the board, substantiated by proper affidavits, of sufficient service and experience in a retail pharmacy under the supervision of a registered or licensed pharmacist; and shall pass an examination by said board.

#### STATEMENT OF FACT

The present requirements for a registered pharmacist require that he be a citizen of the United States and a graduate of a pharmaceutical school or department in a university accredited by the American Council on Pharmaceutical Education. These requirements unfairly penalize persons who, because of the residency requirement, are not yet able to become United States citizens, but who are graduates of a foreign pharmaceutical school and who have worked for one year under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist. This bill would allow these persons to take the examination in pharmacy and, if they pass the examination, to become registered pharmacists.