

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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1 FIRST REGULAR SESSION  
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3 ONE HUNDRED AND TWELFTH LEGISLATURE  
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5 Legislative Document

No. 1445

7 H.P. 1003

House of Representatives, May 1, 1985

8 Reference to the Committee on Business and Commerce suggested and  
9 ordered printed.

10 EDWIN H. PERT, Clerk

Presented by Speaker Martin of Eagle Lake.

Cosponsored by Senator Violette of Aroostook.

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12 STATE OF MAINE  
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14 IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
15 NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-FIVE  
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17 AN ACT to Require Recognition of Nursing  
18 Licenses Granted in other  
19 Jurisdictions.  
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21 Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as  
22 follows:

23 Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §2205 is amended to read:

24 §2205. -- endorsement

25 The board ~~may~~ shall issue a license to practice  
26 professional nursing as a registered professional  
27 nurse by endorsement to an applicant who has been du-  
28 ly licensed by examination as a registered nurse un-  
29 der the laws of another state, territory or foreign  
30 country, if in the opinion of the board the applicant  
31 meets the qualifications required of registered  
32 nurses in this State at the time of graduation.

33 Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §2254 is amended to read:

1     §2254. -- endorsement

2             The board ~~may~~ shall issue a license to practice  
3 as a licensed practical nurse by endorsement to any  
4 applicant who has been duly licensed or registered as  
5 a licensed practical nurse or a person entitled to  
6 perform similar services under a different title, un-  
7 der laws of another state, territory or foreign coun-  
8 try, if in the opinion of the board the applicant  
9 meets the requirements for licensed practical nurses  
10 in this State.

11                                     STATEMENT OF FACT

12             The State Board of Nursing has the authority to  
13 issue licenses to professional nurses and practical  
14 nurses following examination. The current law also  
15 allows the board to grant a license to a nurse who  
16 has been licensed in another state, territory or  
17 country. This bill requires the board to issue a  
18 Maine license when the nurse has been duly licensed  
19 by examination in another jurisdiction.

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