

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 236

STATE OF MAINE.

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

AN ACT to amend sections, three, four, five and nine of chapter seventeen of the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five, relating to veterinary surgeons.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Legislature assembled, as follows:

Section 1. Amend section three of chapter seventeen of
2 the Public Laws of nineteen hundred and five by striking out
3 the words "on and after September first, nineteen hundred
4 and five," in the first and second lines thereof, and by adding
5 after the word "to" in the second line the words 'advertise
6 by sign, card or otherwise, or attach to his name the title
7 of V. S. or Veterinary Surgeon, or any veterinary title ordi-
8 narily used,' and by striking out of said section three after
9 the word "to" in the second line the words 'practice veteri-

10 nary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof
11 within the state,' so that said section as amended shall read
12 as follows:

'Section 3. It shall be unlawful for any person to advertise
14 by sign, card or otherwise, or attach to his name the title of
15 V. S. or Veterinary Surgeon, or any veterinary title ordi-
16 narily used without having previously obtained a certificate
17 from the state board of veterinary examiners and being reg-
18 istered as herein provided.

Sect. 2. Section four is hereby amended by striking out
2 all of said section after the word "prohibiting" in the four-
3 tenth line and adding 'any person residing in the state of
4 Maine not registered from practicing veterinary surgery,
5 medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof, and collecting
6 reasonable compensation for such service providing such
7 person does not attach to his name V. S. or Veterinary Sur-
8 geon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used, or advertised
9 by card, sign or otherwise,' so that said section as amended
10 shall read as follows:

'Section 4. Any person who shall be engaged in the prac-
12 tice of veterinary surgery, medicine or dentistry, or any
13 branch thereof in this state, on the date of the approval of
14 this act, may lawfully continue such practice upon condition
15 that he shall, on or before September first, nineteen hundred
16 and five, register his name and address with said state board
17 of veterinary examiners and give satisfactory proof to said
18 board that he was so in practice on said date of approval.
19 Any person shall be regarded as practicing veterinary sur-

20 gery, medicine, or dentistry, or any branch thereof, within
21 the meaning of this act, who has publicly professed to be a
22 veterinary surgeon, or has prescribed for sick or injured ani-
23 mals and accepted fees for such services, or has attached to
24 his name the title V. S. or Veterinary Surgeon, or any veter-
25 inary title ordinarily used. Nothing in this act shall be con-
26 strued as prohibiting any person residing in the state of
27 Maine not registered from practicing veterinary surgery,
28 medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof, and collecting
29 reasonable compensation for such service providing such
30 person does not attach to his name V. S. or Veterinary Sur-
31 geon, or any veterinary title ordinarily used or advertise
32 by card, sign or otherwise.'

Sect. 3. Section five is hereby amended by adding after
2 the word "five" in the third line 'by using any veterinary
3 title or advertising by card, sign or otherwise,' so that said
4 section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 5. All persons who shall commence the practice
6 of veterinary surgery, medicine, or dentistry, or any branch
7 thereof, within the state after May first, nineteen hundred
8 and five, by using any veterinary title or advertising by card,
9 sign or otherwise, shall be graduates of a legally chartered
10 veterinary school, college or university having the power to
11 confer degrees in veterinary surgery, and shall pass an exam-
12 ination to the satisfaction of said board of examiners. Appli-
13 cants for examination as herein provided, shall file with the
14 secretary of the board their written request for such exam-
15 ination, and pay to the treasurer of said board a fee of five

16 dollars before being permitted to take such examination.'

Sect. 4. Section nine of said chapter seventeen is hereby
2 amended by striking out after the word "Maine" in the third
3 line the words "after September first, nineteen hundred and
4 five" and by striking out the words "one hundred" and "by
5 imprisonment in the county jail for not more than thirty
6 days" in the sixth and seventh lines thereof, so that said
7 section as amended shall read as follows:

'Section 9. Any person who shall practice veterinary sur-
9 gery, medicine or dentistry, or any branch thereof in the
10 state of Maine without complying with the provisions of this
11 act shall be deemed guilty of misdemeanor, and upon con-
12 viction thereof shall be punished by fine not exceeding
13 twenty dollars.'

Sect. 5. This act shall take effect when approved.

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE, March 9, 1907.

Reported by Mr. LIBBY from Committee on Agriculture, and
laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

F. G. FARRINGTON. *Secretary*