

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SENATE.

No. 82

STATE OF MAINE.

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

AN ACT to amend section twenty-six of chapter eighty-one
of the Revised Statutes, relating to the admission of attor-
neys to the practice of law.

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

Section 1. Section twenty-six of chapter eighty-one of
2 the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting after
3 the words "prior to such examination," in line five of said
4 section, the following: 'or of their having held the office of
5 and served as clerk of the supreme judicial court in this
6 State for a term of four years and in addition to said ser-
7 vice as clerk of said court of their having pursued the study
8 of the law for at least one year in the office of an attorney at
9 law or in some recognized law school or university,' so that
10 said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Section 26. The residence and names of the applicants
12 shall be made to appear to said board and satisfactory evi-
13 dence shall also be produced by said applicants of their good
14 moral character and of their having pursued the study of
15 the law in the office of some attorney or in some recognized
16 law school or university for at least three years prior to
17 such examination; or of their having held the office of and
18 served as clerk of the supreme judicial court in this State
19 for a term of four years and in addition to said service as
20 clerk of said court of their having pursued the study of
21 law for at least one year in the office of an attorney at law
22 or in some recognized law school or university; and a fee
23 to be fixed by said board of not more than twenty dollars
24 shall accompany the application. The applicant shall be
25 required to submit to a written examination which shall be
26 prepared by said board, also to an oral examination by said
27 board, if deemed necessary, and shall be required to answer
28 correctly a minimum of seventy per cent of the questions
29 given him to entitle him to the certificate of the board. The
30 board shall however, have power to establish such higher
31 grades of standing as to them may seem proper.'

STATE OF MAINE.

IN SENATE,

January 29, 1909.

Presented by Mr. LOONEY of Cumberland and on his motion tabled for printing pending reference to the Committee on Judiciary.

F. G. FARRINGTON, *Secretary*.