

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE NO. 76

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*House of Representatives, Feb. 4, 1915.*

*Ordered, That five hundred copies be printed and that the same be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.*

*Committee on Reference.*

*Presented by Mr. Plummer of Lisbon Falls.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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

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AN ACT amending Section twelve of Chapter seventeen of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter thirty-one of the Public Laws of 1911, relating to the Registration of Physicians and Surgeons.

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

Section twelve of chapter seventeen of the revised statutes, 2 as amended by chapter thirty-one of the public laws of 1911, 3 is hereby further amended by striking out in the second 4 sentence the words, "of some reputable medical school or 5 college in good standing, having power to confer degrees in 6 medicine, and maintaining a standard of preliminary edu- 7 cation and of medical instruction approved by the board,

8 which said standard shall at least require that the applicant  
9 for admission to said medical school or college shall present  
10 to said school or college, before beginning the study of medi-  
11 cine therein, the diploma," also by striking out in the fifth  
12 sentence the words, "materia medica and therapeutics," "the  
13 principles and practice of medicine" and "such branches of  
14 medical science as the board may deem necessary for the  
15 applicant to be versed in," and by inserting after the word  
16 "chemistry" the words 'toxicology, dietetics, diagnosis,' also  
17 after the word "surgery" the words 'gynecology and,' so that  
18 said section as amended shall read as follows :

'Sect. 12. The board shall examine all applicants for reg-  
20 istration as licensed physicians or surgeons. Each appli-  
21 cant shall, at least seven days before the date of his exam-  
22 ination, present to the secretary of the board an application  
23 under oath or affirmation, containing satisfactory proof that  
24 said applicant is twenty-one years of age, of good moral  
25 character and a graduate of a high school or equivalent  
26 school having a course of study requiring an attendance  
27 through four years, or a certificate of having passed a sat-  
28 isfactory examination before the state superintendent of  
29 schools, or like state officer, in the studies embraced in the  
30 curriculum of such high school or other equivalent school.  
31 He shall also present such other facts as the board in its  
32 blank application may require, and must pay the fees pro-  
33 vided in the preceding section. Examinations shall be in  
34 whole or in part in writing and shall be of a thorough and

35 practical character. They shall embrace the general sub-  
36 jects of anatomy, physiology, pathology, bacteriology, sani-  
37 tation, chemistry, toxicology, dietetics, diagnosis, surgery,  
38 gynecology and obstetrics. The board may make such rules  
39 and regulations as may be necessary for reciprocity or  
40 licensure with the boards of other states which maintain a  
41 standard of education at least equal to their own; but no  
42 such rules shall become operative until they have been ap-  
43 proved by a justice of the supreme judicial court.'