

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 35

House of Representatives, Jan. 28, 1919.

Referred to Committee on Public Health and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Williams of Auburn.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to amend section thirty-six of chapter eighteen of the
Revised Statutes relating to the practicing of dentistry.

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

Section 36 of chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes is hereby
2 amended by striking out the words "treat diseases or lesions
3 of human teeth or jaws, attempts to correct malpositions
4 thereof" in the sixth and seventh lines of said section and
5 by substituting therefor the following; 'or who holds himself
6 out as being able to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for
7 any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical
8 condition of the human teeth, alveolar process, gums, or
9 jaws and who shall either offer or undertake by any means

10 or method to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any
11 disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical con-
12 dition of the same,' so that said section, as amended, shall
13 read as follows:

'Sect. 36. Term "Practicing dentist" defined; persons ex-
2 cepted, 1913, chapter 53, sections 17. A person shall be re-
3 garded as practicing dentistry who is manager, proprietor,
4 operator or conductor of a place for performing dental opera-
5 tions, or who for a fee, salary or other reward paid or to be
6 paid either to himself or to another person, performs dental
7 operations of any kind, or who holds himself out as being able
8 to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain,
9 injury, deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the
10 human teeth, alveolar process, gums, or jaws and who shall
11 either offer or undertake by any means or method to diag-
12 nose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury,
13 deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the same, or
14 who uses the words dentist, dental surgeon, the letters D. D.
15 S. or D. M. D., or any other letter or title in connection with
16 his name, which in any way represents him as being engaged
17 in the practice of dentistry; provided, that nothing in sec-
18 tions twenty-four to forty, both inclusive, shall apply to a
19 legally qualified physician or surgeon, unless he is practicing
20 dentistry as a specialty, or to a legal practitioner of den-
21 tistry of another state making a clinical demonstration before
22 a dental society, convention or association of dentists.'