

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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# EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 131

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House of Representatives, Feb. 16, 1923.

Reported by Mr. Woodbury from Committee on Public Health and ordered printed under joint rules.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hale of Portland.

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## STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE

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AN ACT to Amend Chapter One Hundred Ninety-seven of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Seventeen as Amended by Chapter One Hundred Seventy-two of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred Nineteen Relating to the State Department of Health.

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

Section four of chapter one hundred ninety-seven of the  
2 public laws of nineteen hundred seventeen as amended by  
3 chapter one hundred seventy-two of the public laws of  
4 nineteen hundred nineteen is amended by striking out all of  
5 said section and substituting therefor the following:

'Sect. 4. Public health council, membership and qualifica-

2 tions, tenure of office, vacancies, etc.; meetings and duties.

3 The public health council shall consist of a commissioner of  
4 health and five other members hereinafter called the ap-  
5 pointive members, two of whom shall be physicians, and  
6 one a dentist, all of whom shall be appointed by the govern-  
7 or with the advice and consent of the council. On or before  
8 the first day of May in the year nineteen hundred twenty-  
9 three, the governor with the advice and consent of the  
10 council shall appoint a dentist as a member of said board  
11 to hold office for the term of four (4) years from said  
12 first day of May, 1923, and at the same time shall make  
13 another appointment to said board for the term of five (5)  
14 years from said first day of May, 1923, and thereafter all  
15 appointments to said board except to fill vacancies shall be  
16 for the term of five years from the first day of May of the  
17 year of their appointment. Vacancies shall be filled by  
18 appointment of the governor with the advice and consent  
19 of the council for the unexpired term. The public health  
20 council shall meet at least once in each month and at such  
21 other times as they shall determine by their rules, or upon  
22 the request of any three members, or upon request of the  
23 commissioner of health. It shall be the duty of the public  
24 health council to make and promulgate rules and regulations  
25 in furtherance of the public health law; to consider plans  
26 and appointments required by law; to submit annually to  
27 the legislature through the governor a report, including  
28 recommendations as to needed health legislation; and to

29 discharge other duties required by law, but it shall have no  
30 administrative or executive functions.'