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EIGHTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 349

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT to Prohibit the Conferring of Degrees Without Special Authorization.

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

Section 1. No person, partnership, or institution and no

- 2 corporation shall be empowered to confer educational, lit-
- 3 erary or academic degrees unless thereunto expressly au-
- 4 thorized by an act of the legislature.
 - Sect. 2. Any person, partnership, institution or corpo-
- 2 ration offering or conferring degrees, or purporting to offer
- 3 and confer degrees without being thereunto duly author-
- 4 ized, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thou-

5 sand dollars, or by imprisonment of not more than one 6 year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Sect. 3. Provided, however, that as to corporations now 2 in existence, this act shall not take effect until July first, 3 nineteen hundred twenty-five.