

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE

Senate Document

No. 325

S. P. 664

In Senate, March 7, 1929.

Reported by Senator Pinkham of Aroostook from Committee on Public Health and laid on table to be printed under joint rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

STATE OF MAINE

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

AN ACT Relating to Dental Hygienists.

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

Section two of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight of
2 the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen as
3 amended by chapter twenty-five of the public laws of nine-
4 teen hundred and nineteen, is hereby further amended by
5 striking out in the fourteenth, fifteenth and sixteenth lines
6 thereof the words "and shall have had an education equiva-
7 lent to that attained by one year's attendance upon the
8 Class A high schools of this state as defined by section
9 seventy-three of chapter sixteen or the revised statutes" and

10 substituting therefor the words 'and shall have completed
11 a four years' course in a standard high school or its equiv-
12 alent' and by striking out in the eighteenth, nineteenth and
13 twentieth lines thereof, the words "or shall present a sworn
14 statement by a dentist licensed to practice dentistry in this
15 state that she has completed a course of at least six months
16 training as a dental hygienist under him," and said section
17 is further amended by adding thereto the words "The pro-
18 visions of this act shall take effect January first, nineteen
19 hundred and thirty,' so that said section as amended shall
20 read as follows:

 'No person shall enter practice as a dental hygienist in
2 this state until she has passed an examination given her
3 by the board of dental examiners of this state, or a sub-
4 committee of said board which it may appoint, under such
5 rules and regulations as it may deem fit and proper to
6 formulate. The fee for said examination shall be ten dol-
7 lars and any applicant failing to pass said examination shall
8 be entitled to one additional examination without further
9 cost. The fee for each re-examination after the first shall
10 be five dollars. The said board of dental examiners shall
11 issue certificates of ability to practice as dental hygienists
12 in this state to those who have passed said examination,
13 which certificate shall be displayed in a conspicuous place
14 in the room or rooms in which she practices, provided,
15 however, that no person shall be entitled to such certificate
16 unless she shall be eighteen years of age, of good moral

17 character, and shall have completed a four years' course
18 in a standard high school or its equivalent, and unless she
19 is a graduate of a reputable training school for dental hy-
20 gienists. Said certificate shall be considered a license to
21 practice as a dental hygienist in this state, except that it
22 shall be unlawful for any person to practice as a dental
23 hygienist in this state in any year after the year in which
24 said certificate is issued to her unless she shall pay to the
25 treasurer of the state board of dental examiners on or be-
26 fore January first of said year a fee of one dollar for
27 which she shall receive a registration card, which card shall
28 be placed beside or attached to the certificate above men-
29 tioned. The provisions of this act shall take effect Jan-
30 uary first, nineteen hundred and thirty.'