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NEW DRAFT

EIGHTY - SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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No. 910

S. P. 714

In Senate, April 3, 1935.

Reported by Senator Burkett of Cumberland and six others from Committee on Judiciary and laid on table to be printed under Joint Rules.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

NEW DRAFT OF S. P. 394, L. D. 417

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-FIVE

AN ACT Relating to the Practice of Chiropractic.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 21, § 73, amended. Section 73 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

‘Sec. 73. Chiropractors to be examined and registered. Any person, before engaging in the practice of chiropractic in this state, shall make application for a certificate to practice chiropractic to the board of chiropractic examiners and registration, on a form prescribed by said board. Said application shall be filed with the secretary of the board, at least 7 days before the date of examination, together with a deposit of \$25, which said deposit shall be returned to applicant in case the application is rejected. Each applicant must be at least 21 years of age, and shall present a diploma from a high school, academy, state normal school, college, or university, or otherwise satisfy the members of the board of sufficient prior academic education. The applicant shall also present a diploma granted by a legally chartered chiropractic college, school, or university in good standing and having the power to confer degrees in chiropractic, which diploma shall show that it was granted on personal attendance of the applicant and completion of a course of ~~three~~ 4 school years of not less than 6 months

each, of a total of ~~2000~~ 2,600 60 minute school hours. All applicants must also present a certificate of good moral character signed by some reputable resident of the state of Maine, and such other reasonable and proper facts as the board in its blank application may require.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 21, § 74, amended. Section 74 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 74. Examination of applicants; subjects included; board to issue certificate; certificate without examination, in certain cases; board may refuse certificate. The board shall then require the applicant to submit to an examination as to his or her qualifications for the practice of chiropractic, which examination shall include the subjects of anatomy, physiology, symptomatology, hygiene, sanitation, chemistry, histology, pathology, chiropractic analysis, and the principles and practice of chiropractic as taught in reputable chiropractic schools and colleges. If such examination is passed in a manner satisfactory to the board, then the board shall issue to the said applicant a certificate granting him or her the right to practice chiropractic in the state of Maine. Any person of good moral character, licensed by a chiropractic board of any other state or territory having a standard equal to the state of Maine, shall be licensed without examination, upon the payment of \$25 and the production to the board of his or her diploma, the license obtained in such other state, and satisfactory evidence of good moral character; but the board may, in its discretion, require an examination of any such applicant. The board may refuse to grant a certificate to any person convicted of a felony, or who has been guilty of grossly unprofessional conduct, or who is addicted to any vice to such a degree as to render such person unfit to practice chiropractic, and may, after due notice and hearing, revoke a certificate already issued, for like cause. **Any certificate granted under this section shall be subject to annual renewal as hereinafter provided.'**

Sec. 4. R. S., c. 21, § 78, amended. Section 78 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 78. Disposition of fees; compensation of members of board; compensation and expenses, how paid. Any person to whom a certificate has been granted under section 74 shall, on or before the 1st day of June of each year, pay to the secretary of the board of chiropractic examination and registration a fee of \$3, upon payment of which said certificate shall be renewed for 1 year. If such fee is not paid within 3 months after

the date of notification by the secretary that such fee is due, the certificate of the chiropractor so failing to pay such fee shall be revoked and shall be thereafter renewed by a majority vote of the board of chiropractic examination and registration and upon payment of a fee of \$10 to the secretary of said board. All fees received by the secretary and not returned to the applicant shall be paid monthly to the treasurer of state. The compensation of members of the board shall be \$10 per day for each day actually spent in the discharge of their duty, and, in addition thereto, they shall receive necessary traveling expenses. The secretary shall be allowed extra compensation for books, stationery, postage, and other necessary expenses authorized by the board and actually incurred. The compensation and expense of said board and its secretary and all other expenses proper and necessary in the opinion of said board to discharge its duties hereunder and to enforce the provisions of sections 71 to 82, inclusive, shall be paid out of the state treasury, after the approval of the state controller, upon the requisition signed by the president and secretary of said board, provided that the amounts so paid shall in no case exceed the total amount received for the current year by the treasurer of state from the board as fees; and so much of said receipts as may be necessary is hereby appropriated for the compensation and expenses of the board as aforesaid.'