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S. P. 410

In Senate, February 11, 1941.

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

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Dow of Oxford.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-ONE

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**AN ACT Relating to the Practice of Chiropractic.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 21, § 78, amended.** Section 78 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes, as amended by section 3 of chapter 168 of the public laws of 1935, is hereby further 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, **provided, that, beginning June 1, 1942 in addition to the payment of such renewal fee, each licensee so applying for his renewal certificate, shall furnish to said board satisfactory evidence that he has attended one of 2 educational programs conducted and supervised by the said board, in the year preceding.** 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 the 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 travelling 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.'

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 21, § 82, amended.** Section 82 of chapter 21 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

**'Sec. 82. Definition of chiropractic; other methods excluded.** The system, method or science commonly known as chiropractic, or the practice of chiropractic, is defined to be the science of ~~palpating and adjusting the segments and articulations of the human spinal column by hand only~~ **locating and correcting interference with nerve transmission and expression, without the use of drugs or major surgery.** This definition is inclusive, and any and all other methods are hereby declared not to be chiropractic, and chiropractic is hereby declared not to be the practice of medicine, surgery, dentistry, and osteopathy within the meaning of the provisions of this chapter.'