

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 734

House of Representatives, February 6, 1945.

Referred to Committee on Public Health, sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk.

Presented by Dr. Springer of Danforth.

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STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
FORTY-FIVE

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**AN ACT relating to the Practice of Dentistry.**

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

**Sec. 1. R. S., c. 66, § 2, amended.** Section 2 of chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding thereto the following:

‘The secretary shall receive an annual salary to be fixed by the board not to exceed \$300, which shall be received by him in lieu of a per diem compensation. The secretary shall also be paid his necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of his official duties, including clerical and stenographic assistance, printing and postage. Such salary and allowance for expenses shall be certified by the president of the board.’

**Sec. 2. R. S., c. 66, § 5, repealed and replaced.** Section 5 of said chapter 66 of the revised statutes is hereby repealed and replaced to read as follows:

‘Sec. 5. Certificate; fee; registration cards. The board shall issue under its seal, to all persons who shall successfully pass said examination, its certificate of ability to practice dentistry in this state, signed by its president and secretary. Whoever engages in the practice of dentistry in this state shall keep his certificate in a conspicuous place in the operating room or rooms in which he practices. Said certificate shall be considered

a license to practice dentistry in this state, except that it shall be unlawful for any person to practice dentistry in this state in any year after the year in which said certificate is issued to him unless he shall pay to the treasurer of the state board of dental examiners on or before January 1st of said year a fee of \$2 for which he shall receive a registration card, which card shall be placed beside or attached to the certificate above mentioned. But practitioners who shall not have paid as above provided shall be reinstated and licensed for the balance of the current year upon payment of a fee of \$2 if paid before March 1, and a fee of \$12 if paid subsequent thereto. New applicants having paid the examination fee shall not be subject to the \$2 annual license fee for the calendar year in which they were licensed. All monies received by the board shall be paid to its treasurer who shall deposit the same with the treasurer of state. The treasurer of state shall place the money to the credit of a fund to be known as the State Board of Dental Examiners Fund. Such fund shall be held subject to the order of the board for use only to meet the necessary expenses incurred in the administration of this chapter, and the duties imposed thereby including the promotion of dental health education and the standards of dental practice in this state.' .