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CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary. Presented by Senator Clough of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to the Board of Registration of Nurses.

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

R. S., c. 63, § 1, amended. Section 1 of chapter 63 of the revised statutes, as amended by sections 1 and 2 of chapter 155 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 1. Board of registration of nurses; qualifications; tenure; vacancies; removals. The board of registration of nurses, as heretofore established, and hereinafter in this chapter called the "board," shall consist of 5 nurses, all of whom shall be residents of the state. They shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall have been graduated each from a different school of nursing, and shall have had after graduation at least 3 years' experience in nursing and in addition thereto at least 2 years' experience in teaching nurses, the periods of time not to run concurrently. They shall have been registered by the board of registration of nurses of this state and shall be citizens of the United States.

First appointments hereunder shall be for terms of 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 years respectively, all beginning August 1, 1945; and except to fill vacancies in unexpired terms, all appointments thereafter shall be for terms of 5 years.

First appointments hereunder shall be made from the members of the board in office when such first appointments are made, in so far as the number of members then in office is sufficient therefor; and upon their taking office hereunder, their terms under prior appointments shall cease. Except for such original appointments hereunder, all appointments shall be made from a list of 6 3 eligible candidates selected at a meeting of the executive committee of the Maine State Nurses' Association and submitted to the governor not less than 30 days before the time of appointment. No person shall be eligible for appointment to succeed herself.

Any vacancy occurring on said board shall be filled for the unexpired term by appointment to be made by the governor from like nominations to be furnished by the said association. If said nominations in either case are not submitted within 30 days after the vacancy occurs, the governor may appoint to fill such vacancy such person, qualified as aforesaid, as to him seems best. Any member of said board may be removed from office for cause by the governor with the advice and consent of the council. On request of said board the superintendent of public buildings shall provide a suitable room in the state house for its meetings.'

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