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In Senate, March 19, 1957

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Ferguson of Oxford.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Registration of Nurses.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 69, § 1, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 1 of chapter 69 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'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.~~'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 69, § 2, amended. The 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th sentences of section 2 of chapter 69 of the Revised Statutes are hereby amended to read as follows:

'The Board may appoint and employ a qualified person, not a member of the Board, to serve as ~~educational~~ secretary to the Board ~~and as inspector of schools of nursing~~ and it shall fix her compensation and define her duties. ~~It may employ such other persons as may be necessary to carry on the work of the board, which shall include the promotion of nursing education and standards of nursing care in this state~~ The ~~educational~~ secretary appointed by the Board shall be a citizen of the United States, a graduate of an accredited school of nursing and shall be registered by the Board. ~~She shall have had at least 5 years' experience in teaching and administration in an accredited school of nursing and shall be otherwise qualified.~~'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 69, § 8, amended. The 2nd paragraph of section 8 of chapter 69 of the Revised Statutes is hereby repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Said committee shall consist of 5 members, all of whom shall be residents of the State, 3 of whom shall be physicians or surgeons duly registered and authorized to practice as such in this State, and who, at the time of appointment shall be members of the staff of an accredited hospital in the State, and 2 of whom shall be, at the time of their appointment, a trustee or member of the governing board of a non-profit hospital in this State. Said members shall be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Council, and all appointments shall be for a term of 5 years except to fill vacancies in unexpired terms. The members of said Board shall be paid their actual necessary expenses incurred while in the performance of their official duties. The Board may appoint and employ a qualified person, not a member of the Board, to serve as secretary to the Board and as inspector of schools of nursing, who shall receive a salary, to be fixed by the Board, not exceeding \$500 a year, and shall be reimbursed for actual necessary expenses incurred in the performance of designated duties, which expenses shall first be approved by the Board. The Board at each annual meeting shall elect from its membership a chairman and vice-chairman and other officers as it may require. In addition to the duties heretofore specified, the Board shall, insofar as it deems such activity necessary and desirable, concern itself with the improvement and standardization of nursing education in this State.'