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Legislative Document

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H. P. 284

House of Representatives, February 4, 1959

Referred to the Committee on Education. Sent up for concurrence and ordered printed.

HARVEY R. PEASE, Clerk

Presented by Mr. Mathieson of Montville.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

AN ACT to Regulate Privately Owned Correspondence Schools.

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

R. S., c. 41, §§ 183-A to 183-F, additional. Chapter 41 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding 6 new sections, 183-A to 183-F, to read as follows:

Privately Owned Correspondence Schools.

Sec. 183-A. Permit for school in Maine. No person representing a privately owned correspondence school located in the State of Maine or from a place of business in this State shall solicit or sell in Maine any correspondence course for a consideration or remuneration unless he first secures a permit from the State Board of Education. The application for a permit shall be made on forms to be furnished by the board and shall be accompanied by a fee of \$5 and a surety bond in the penal sum of \$1,000. Such bond may be continuous and shall be conditioned to provide indemnification to any student suffering loss as a result of any fraud or misrepresentation used in procuring his enrollment, and may be supplied by the representative of a privately owned correspondence school or by the school itself as a blanket bond covering each of its representatives in the amount of \$1,000. A permit shall be valid for the calendar year in which it is issued. An application for renewal shall be accompanied by a fee of \$5 and a surety bond as provided in this section. All fees collected for the issuance or renewal of such permits shall be deposited in the State Treasury to the credit of the General Fund.

Sec. 183-B. Permit for school outside Maine. No person representing a privately owned correspondence school located outside the State of Maine shall

solicit or sell in Maine any correspondence course for a consideration or remuneration unless he first secures a permit from the State Board of Education in the manner and on the terms provided in section 183-A.

Sec. 183-C. Moral character. No person shall be granted a permit under sections 183-A and 183-B unless he is an individual of good moral character.

Sec. 183-D. Revocation. Any permit issued may, upon 10 days' notice and after a hearing, be revoked by the State Board of Education if the holder of the permit solicits or enrolls students through fraud or misrepresentation.

Sec. 183-E. Rules and regulations; advisory committee. The State Board of Education is authorized to adopt rules and regulations for the administration and enforcement of sections 183-A to 183-E, and to establish a committee of 3 to 5 owners or other representatives of privately owned correspondence schools to advise the board in its administration.

Sec. 183-F. Penalty. Any person violating sections 183-A to 183-E shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months.'