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In Senate, March 6, 1959

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

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary

Presented by Senator Martin of Kennebec.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
FIFTY-NINE

**AN ACT Relating to Qualifications of Applicants for Registration as
Licensed Physicians or Surgeons.**

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

Sec. 1. R. S., c. 66, § 3, amended. The first sentence of section 3 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 1 of chapter 169 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows :

‘Any citizen of the United States or Canada who is a graduate of a medical school designated as Class A by and approved by the American Medical Association, or any non-citizen who has satisfactorily met the requirements of a national group, constituted to evaluate graduates from foreign medical schools, which is recognized by the State of Maine Board of Registration of Medicine as competent to evaluate graduates from foreign medical schools, and who has served as an ~~intern~~ internship for at least 12 months, or its equivalent, in a hospital approved by the American Hospital Association and the American Medical Association shall, upon the payment of a fee of \$25, be entitled to examination and, if found qualified by a majority of the members of the board present, shall be registered as a physician or surgeon, and shall receive a certificate thereof under the seal of the board and signed by the chairman and secretary, which shall state the facts and must be publicly displayed at the person’s principal place of business as long as said person continues such practice for gain or hire.’

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 66, § 4, amended. The 2nd sentence of section 4 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 2 of chapter 169 of the public laws of 1955, is further amended to read as follows :

'Each applicant shall, at least 7 days before the date of his examination, present to the secretary of the board an application under oath or affirmation, containing satisfactory proof that said applicant is a citizen of the United States or Canada, **or any non-citizen who has satisfactorily met the requirements of a national group, constituted to evaluate graduates from foreign medical schools, which is recognized by the State of Maine Board of Registration of Medicine as competent to evaluate graduates from foreign medical schools,** is 21 years of age, of good moral character and a graduate of some reputable medical school or college in good standing, having power to confer degrees in medicine and maintaining a standard of preliminary education and of medical instruction approved by the board, which said standard shall at least require that the applicant for admission to said medical school or college shall present to said school or college, before beginning the study of medicine therein, the diploma of a high school or equivalent school having a course of study requiring an attendance through 4 school years, or a certificate of having passed a satisfactory examination before the Commissioner of Education or like state officer in the studies embraced in the curriculum of such high school or other equivalent school.'

Sec. 3. R. S., c. 66, § 9, amended. The first sentence of section 9 of chapter 66 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

'Any physician, a graduate of a class A medical school or university, duly registered and licensed in this or any other state, who meets the requirements of the board relative to education medically as well as premedical, ~~who is a citizen of the United States~~ and is of good repute may make application for a temporary license to practice ~~as~~ as camp physician that he may care for the campers in that particular camp for which he was hired and obtained as camp physician or ~~and~~ as a resident physician or surgeon in a hospital.'