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# Acts and Resolves

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wise; a detailed statement of such expenses, actually and reasonably incurred shall be approved by the presiding justice.'

Approved March 8, 1919.

## Chapter 32.

An Act to Amend Section Thirty-six of Chapter Eighteen of the Revised Statutes.  
Relating to the Practicing of Dentistry.

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

**R. S., c. 18, § 36; relating to the term "practicing dentist," amended.** Section thirty-six of chapter eighteen of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the words "treats diseases or lesions of human teeth or jaws, attempts to correct malpositions thereof," in the fifth and sixth lines of said section and by substituting therefor the following: 'or who holds himself out as being able to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the human teeth, alveolar process, gums, or jaws and who shall either offer or undertake by any means or method to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the same,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

**'Sec. 36. Term "practicing dentist" redefined.** A person shall be regarded as practicing dentistry who is manager, proprietor, operator, or conductor of a place for performing dental operations, or who for a fee, salary or other reward paid or to be paid either to himself or to another person, performs dental operations of any kind, or who holds himself out as being able to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the human teeth, alveolar process, gums, or jaws and who shall either offer or undertake by any means or method to diagnose, treat, operate, or prescribe for any disease, pain, injury, deficiency, deformity or physical condition of the same, or who uses the words dentist, dental surgeon, the letters D. D. S. or D. M. D., or any other letter or title in connection with his name, which in any way represents him as being engaged in the practice of dentistry; provided, that nothing in sections twenty-four to forty, both inclusive, shall apply to a legally qualified physician or surgeon, unless he is practicing dentistry as a specialty, or to a legal practitioner of dentistry of another state making a clinical demonstration before a dental society, convention or association of dentists.'

Approved March 8, 1919.