

HOUSE No. 1425

By Mr. Capraro of Boston, petition of The National Association of Sanitarians and Charles W. Capraro that provision be made for the establishment of a board of registration of sanitarians. Public Health.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-Seven.

AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF SANITARIANS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 13 of the General Laws is hereby amended by in-
2 serting after section 50 the following sections under the
3 caption:—

4 BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF SANITARIANS.

5 *Section 51.* There shall be a board of registration of sani-
6 tarians consisting of five members to be appointed by the
7 governor with the advice and consent of the council. One
8 member of such board shall be a member of the Massachu-
9 setts department of public health, one an educator in the
10 field of sanitary science, and three who shall be duly recog-
11 nized practicing sanitarians within the commonwealth. The
12 governor shall make the appointments to the original board
13 within thirty days after the effective date of this section.
14 The members of the original board shall be appointed to
15 terms beginning with said date as follows:— two members
16 for one year, two members for two years and one member
17 for three years. Thereafter each member appointed to the
18 board shall be appointed and serve for a term of three years.

19 The sanitarians appointed to the board shall have at least
20 five years' experience in the field of environmental sanitation.
21 Subsequent to the appointment of the original board, all
22 sanitarians appointed to the board shall be registered as
23 hereinafter provided.

24 *Section 52.* The board shall perform their duties without
25 salary, but each member shall receive an honorarium of ten
26 dollars per day, plus actual and necessary expenses which
27 shall be paid by the commonwealth, for meetings attended
28 for the transaction of regular business; provided, that such
29 compensation and expenses shall not be in excess of the an-
30 nual receipts paid to the commonwealth by the board. Each
31 of the three sanitarians appointed to the original board shall
32 within ninety days after appointment qualify under the pro-
33 visions hereinafter set forth.

34 *Section 53.* "Sanitarian" unless the context otherwise re-
35 quires means a person with a broad basic education and/or
36 experience in the physical, biological and social sciences sup-
37 plemented by specialization in the field of sanitary sciences
38 and technology, who is qualified to carry out instructional
39 and inspectional duties and enforce the laws in the field of
40 environmental sanitation.

41 "Board of Registration" and "Board" means the Massa-
42 chusetts board of registration of sanitarians.

43 *Section 54.* Within thirty days after appointment the
44 board of registration shall hold its first meeting at which
45 time and annually thereafter, it shall elect one of its mem-
46 bers chairman, another as vice-chairman, and a third as secre-
47 tary. The board is authorized to select such other officers
48 and employees and adopt rules and regulations which may
49 be necessary for the efficient operation of the board.

50 *Section 55.* Sanitarians who submit satisfactory proof to
51 the board that they have been practicing as such in the com-
52 monwealth for at least three years, if they apply for regis-
53 tration within one year after the effective date of this section,
54 shall be issued certificates of registration without being re-
55 quired to take the written or oral examination of the board
56 but shall be required to pay the registration fee of fifteen dol-
57 lars.

58 *Section 56.* The board shall examine all applicants for
59 registration in the commonwealth, If the applicants' quali-
60 fications and results of written examination, and oral if the
61 board deems necessary, be accepted as satisfactory by the
62 board of registration, the board shall issue to such person a
63 certificate of registration. The board may by rule establish
64 minimum educational and experience qualifications which
65 applicants must possess in order to be admitted to examina-
66 tion. The board may by rule provide for the issuance of
67 temporary certificates of registration pending the giving of an
68 examination to applicants who appear to have the necessary
69 qualifications, and also by rule provide for the issuance of a
70 certificate of registration without examination to sanitarians
71 holding certificates of registration or licenses issued under
72 the laws of other states. All certificates of registration issued
73 by the board shall expire at the end of the calendar year in
74 which they are issued, they shall be subject to renewal on or
75 before January fifteenth of the following year.

76 *Section 57.* A person who desires to be registered as a
77 sanitarian, shall apply to the board upon an application form
78 prescribed and furnished by the board. He shall include in
79 such application statements under oath, satisfactory to the
80 board, showing that he possesses the necessary qualifications
81 preliminary to examination. He shall pay to the board at
82 the time of filing his application for registration a fee of fif-
83 teen dollars. Every registered sanitarian shall apply annu-
84 ally to the board for a renewal of his registration and pay a
85 fee of five dollars.

86 *Section 58.* Any person who is registered in the commcn-
87 wealth under the provisions of section fifty-two shall have
88 the right to use after his name the title "Registered Sani-
89 tarian" and the letters "R. S." No other person shall as-
90 sume such title or use such letters or any other words, letters,
91 signs or figures to indicate that he is a registered sanitarian.

92 *Section 59.* If any section, paragraph, or clause of sec-
93 tions forty-eight to fifty-five, inclusive, of chapter thirteen
94 of the General Laws, or the application thereto to any set
95 of facts shall be held invalid or ineffective by the courts for
96 any reason, the remainder thereof shall not be affected by
97 such holding but shall remain in full force and effect.

