

By Mr. O'Brien of Springfield, petition of John P. O'Brien and another for legislation to limit the time within which widows, executors or administrators of deceased registered dentists may continue their businesses under registered dentists. Social Welfare.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-One.

AN ACT LIMITING THE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE WIDOW, EXECUTOR OR ADMINISTRATOR OF A DECEASED REGISTERED DENTIST MAY CONTINUE HIS BUSINESS UNDER A REGISTERED DENTIST.

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 112 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 striking out section 53 and inserting in place thereof the
3 following section: —

4 *Section 53.* Nothing in sections forty-three to fifty-two,
5 inclusive, shall apply to treatment by a registered physician not
6 practicing dentistry, in cases where he deems treatment neces-
7 sary for the relief of his patients, or prevent a registered dentist
8 of another state or his assistant from operating at a public
9 clinic under the auspices of a duly organized and reputable
10 dental college or association, or prevent a student of a
11 reputable dental college, incorporated under the laws of this
12 commonwealth and granting degrees in dentistry, from per-
13 forming operations as part of the regular college course, or
14 prevent the widow, executor or administrator of a registered
15 dentist who has died from continuing his business under a
16 registered dentist for a period of twelve months from the date
17 of his death, or the wife of one who is incapacitated, from
18 continuing his business under a registered dentist, or prevent a
19 dental intern registered as provided in section forty-five A from
20 engaging in the practice of dentistry as authorized by said
21 section. A registered dentist shall have the same right to pre-
22 scribe or buy drugs or medicines for use in the conduct of his
23 practice, as a registered physician of the commonwealth.

