

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 1385

Approved by the Governor March 21, 1972

Introduced by Fern Hubbard Orme, 29th District

AN ACT to amend sections 71-122 and 71-122.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, relating to public health and welfare; to change the allocation of certain fees; to provide that a proportionate share of fees received by examining boards shall be used for operation of the Bureau of Examining Boards as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 71-122, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, be amended to read as follows:

71-122. Each member of a board of examiners, except members of the Board of Examiners in Medicine and Surgery, and the Board of Examiners in Dentistry, shall, in addition to necessary traveling and hotel expenses, receive a per diem for each day actually engaged in the discharge of his duties, including compensation for the time spent in traveling to and from the place of conducting the examination, and for a reasonable number of days for the preparation of examination questions and the reading of the answer papers, in addition to the time actually spent in conducting the examination; Provided, that traveling and hotel expenses shall not exceed the amounts allowed by state administrative departments. The compensation per day in the several professions shall be as follows: (1) In osteopathy, chiropractic, embalming, and pharmacy, fifteen dollars; (2) in podiatry and physical therapy, ten dollars; and (3) in optometry, thirty dollars; Provided, there shall not be paid for examiners' compensation and expenses a greater sum than is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in any particular profession. ~~;--provided further,--that the--Board--of--Examiners--in--Chiropractic shall receive,--in addition to the fees of the applicants, all of the renewal fees in excess of two--dollars,--after the state's share of fifteen per cent to the General Fund has been deducted;--provided further,--that--the--Board--of Examiners in Optometry shall receive,--in addition to--the fees of the applicants,--all of the renewal fees in excess of three dollars,--after the state's share of fifteen per cent to the General Fund has been deducted;--and--provided further,--that the Board of Examiners--in--Podiatry--shall~~

~~receive, in addition to the fees of the applicants, all of the annual renewal fees in excess of three dollars after the state's share of fifteen per cent to the General Fund has been deducted.~~

Sec. 2. That section 71-122.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, be amended to read as follows:

71-122.01. Each member of the Board of Examiners for Medicine and Surgery and the Board of Examiners in Dentistry shall be reimbursed for his necessary travel and hotel expenses incurred in discharge of his duties including attending regional and national conferences relating to medical and dental licensure. In addition for each day actually spent in discharge of such duties, including a reasonable number of days for preparation of examination questions and reading the answer papers, each member of such boards shall be entitled to a per diem allowance at the rate of fifty dollars per day; Provided, there shall not be paid for compensation or expenses a greater sum than is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in medicine and surgery and dentistry and from renewal fees allocated to each board, ~~and provided further, the respective boards shall receive all of the renewal fees in excess of three dollars after the state's share of fifteen per cent to the General Fund has been deducted.~~ The secretary of the Board of Examiners in Dentistry shall be paid five hundred dollars per year in addition to any per diem.

Sec. 3. The Bureau of Examining Boards shall be responsible for the general administration of the activities of each of the boards of examiners as defined in Chapter 71, articles 1, 3, 4, 27, and 47, with the exception of the Board of Nursing. The cost of operation of the Bureau of Examining Boards shall be paid from fees received by the boards of examiners. The director of the Bureau of Examining Boards shall determine the proportionate share of this cost to be paid from the fees of the respective boards; Provided, that no fees shall be paid for such purpose from any fund without the prior approval of the boards of examiners concerned. The director's determinations shall become final when approved by the respective boards of examiners and the State Board of Health and shall be valid for one fiscal year only.

Sec. 4. That original sections 71-122 and 71-122.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1971, are repealed.