

STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD  
TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FIVE

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H.P. 302 - L.D. 448

**An Act Regarding the Establishment of Fees and Fee Caps for Dental  
Provider Licensing and Permits**

**Emergency preamble.** Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

**Whereas,** Public Law 2023, chapter 17 transferred the Board of Dental Practice from an affiliated board to a licensure program within the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation, Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation; and

**Whereas,** Public Law 2023, chapter 17 inadvertently repealed fee caps for dental provider licensing and permit fees and the authorizing authority to establish those fees by rule; and

**Whereas,** the Legislature intended that the provisions setting fee caps for dental provider licensing and permit fees and the authorizing authority to establish those fees by rule be transferred to the Office of Professional and Occupational Regulation; and

**Whereas,** this legislation corrects that omission and must take effect as soon as possible in order to effectuate the Legislature's intent; and

**Whereas,** in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

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

**Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §18309** is enacted to read:

**§18309. Fees**

**1. Fee establishment.** The director may establish by rule fees for purposes authorized under this chapter in amounts that are reasonable and necessary for their respective purposes, except that:

A. The fee for any one purpose may not exceed \$550 unless another fee is authorized by paragraph B or C;

B. The fee for an initial license or a license renewal under section 18342 or a permit under section 18379 may not exceed \$1,000; and

C. The fee for an initial license or a license renewal under section 18345 may not exceed \$200.

**2. Rules.** Rules adopted pursuant to subsection 1 are routine technical rules pursuant to Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**Sec. 2. Retroactivity.** This Act applies retroactively to June 29, 2023.

**Emergency clause.** In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.