

(r) "Dispense" includes distribute, leave with, give away, dispose of or deliver.

(s) "Registry Number" means the number assigned to each person registered under the Federal narcotic laws.

284. It shall be unlawful for any person to manufacture, possess, have under his control, sell, prescribe, administer, dispense or compound any narcotic drug, except as authorized in this sub-title.

No person shall manufacture, compound, mix, cultivate, grow, or by any other process produce or prepare narcotic drugs, and no person as a wholesaler shall supply the same without having first obtained a license so to do from the State Department of Health. A fee of five dollars (\$5.00) shall be charged for any license so issued. The State Department of Health is authorized to make rules and regulations governing the issue of any such license, provided, however, that this section shall not apply to pharmacists, physicians, dentists and veterinarians in the regular course of their legitimate professional activities.

285. No license shall be issued unless and until the applicant therefor has furnished proof satisfactory to the State Department of Health:

(a) That the applicant is of good moral character, and if the applicant be an association or corporation, that the managing officers are of good moral character.

(b) That the applicant is equipped as to land, buildings and paraphernalia properly to carry on the business described in his application; and that his trade connections are such that there is reasonable probability that he will apply all narcotic drugs manufactured or sold by him to medicinal and scientific purposes.

(c) That the applicant is in sufficiently good financial condition to carry out his obligation, and that it is satisfactorily shown that the granting of such license is in the public interest.

(d) No license shall be granted to any person who has within five years been convicted of a wilful violation of any law of the United States or of any State, relating to opium, coca leaves or any other narcotic drug or to any person who is a narcotic drug addict.

285A. The State Department of Health may for cause suspend or revoke any license so aforesaid issued. All licenses shall be issued for a period of one year and re-