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## House Bill 295

**“An act relating to the practice of dentistry; relating to dental radiological equipment; and providing for an effective date.”**

### Version I

### Sectional Analysis

**Section 1:** Conforming language in **AS 08.01.065(c)**.

**Section 2:** Adds a new section (k) to **AS 08.01.065** (*Title 8. Business and Professions, Chapter 1. Centralized Licensing, Section 065. Establishment of fees*)

Requires the Board of Dental Examiners to establish and collect fees on behalf of the Department of Health and Social Services for the inspection of dental radiological equipment.

**Section 3:** Adds new sections to **AS 08.36** (*Title 8. Business and Professions, Chapter 36. Dentistry*)

**AS 08.36.242. License to practice as a specialist required.**

Establishes that a dentist may not advertise using the term “specialist,” the name of a specialty, or other phrases that suggest they are a specialist unless they have a specialist license as established.

**AS 08.36.243. Qualification for specialist; scope of practice.**

- (a) Establishes that in order to qualify for a specialist licenses a person must
- (1) Hold a dental license issued by the board and
  - (2) Meet the qualifications of a specialist as established by the board in regulation.

(b) In creating the qualifications for a specialist license, the board shall consider the standards of a nationally recognized certifying entity approved by the board.

(c) Establishes that a dental specialist can only claim to be a specialist in the specialty they hold a license in.

**Sec. 08.36.245. Suspension or revocation of specialist license.**

Establishes that a board may suspend or revoke a specialist license as set by **AS 08.36.315**.

**Section 4:** Adds a new section (d) to **AS 44.29.020** (*Title 44. State Government, Chapter 29. Department of Health and Human Services, Section 020. Duties of the Department*)

Requires DHSS to establish standards of registration, use, record keeping, and inspection of dental radiological equipment in compliance with federal law.

**Section 5:** Conforming language in **AS 44.46.029**

**Section 6:** Conforming language in **AS 46.03.022**

**Section 7:** Repeals:

**AS 08.36.075:** Section of law requiring the Board of Dental Examiners to set standards for inspection of dental radiological equipment. Placed under DHSS by section 4.

**AS 18.05.065, AS 18.60.525(e), and AS 44.29.027:** Sections of law prohibiting DHSS from regulating dental radiological equipment.

**Section 8:** Allows the Board of Dental Examiners, the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, and the Department of Health and Social Services to adopt regulations in line with this act.

**Section 9:** Allows the departments and board to immediately begin setting regulations.

**Section 10:** Set a delayed effective date for the rest of the act to July 1, 2023.