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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 24

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to dental hygienists and dentists."

7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 * Section 1. AS 08.32.020(5) is amended to read:

9 (5) either a holder of a certificate of registration in the
10 basic sciences as provided in AS 08.16.200 or an examinee who has suc-
11 cessfully completed the National Board Examination.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 08.32.040 is amended to read:

13 Sec. 08.32.040. APPLICATION AND FEE. An application for qualifi-
14 cation shall be accompanied by the applicant's certificate of gradua-
15 tion, and a fee of \$25 [\$10].

16 * Sec. 3. AS 08.32.070 is amended to read:

17 Sec. 08.32.070. REGISTRATION AND LICENSING OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS.
18 If the applicant passes the examination, the board shall register him
19 and issue a certificate. The fee for registration is \$20 [\$10]. Be-
20 fore May 1 of every other year after the year of registration [IN EACH
21 YEAR], every registered dental hygienist shall pay a registration fee
22 of \$20 [\$10].

23 * Sec. 4. AS 08.32 is amended by adding a new section to read:

24 Sec. 08.32.080. LAPSE AND REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE. The failure,
25 neglect, or refusal of a licensed dental hygienist to pay the annual
26 registration fee constitutes a forfeiture of the license. The board may
27 reinstate the license upon written application and payment of \$25.

28 * Sec. 5. AS 08.32.090 is amended to read:

29 Sec. 08.32.090. TEMPORARY LICENSE. The board may issue a

1 temporary license, without examination, to a person qualified to take
2 the examination who has a license to practice in another state. The
3 temporary license granted to a hygienist in the employ of a privately
4 practicing dentist terminates at the time of the next board examina-
5 tion. [THE TEMPORARY LICENSE RESTRICTS THE LICENSEE TO PRACTICE AS
6 A DENTAL HYGIENIST IN THE EMPLOY OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED
7 STATES OR THE STATE OR AN INCORPORATED ELEEMOSYNARY DISPENSARY OR
8 INFIRMARY, PRIVATE SCHOOL OR WELFARE CENTER. THE TEMPORARY LICENSE
9 TERMINATES WHEN THE TEMPORARY LICENSEE TAKES THE EXAMINATION.] The
10 board may revoke a temporary license at any time. Time spent on a
11 temporary license does not count toward license by reciprocity.

12 * Sec. 6. AS 08.32.110 is repealed and re-enacted to read:

13 Sec. 08.32.110. SCOPE OF WORK OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS. The role
14 of the dental hygienist is to assist members of the dental profession
15 in providing oral health care to the public. He may not perform any
16 of the following functions dealing with dentistry:

- 17 (1) diagnosis, treatment, planning, or prescription;
- 18 (2) operative or surgical procedures on hard or soft
19 tissues;
- 20 (3) restorative, prosthetic, orthodontic or other proce-
21 dures which require the knowledge and skill of a dentist and consti-
22 tute the practice of dentistry;
- 23 (4) prescription for drugs, medicament or work authori-
24 zation.

25 * Sec. 7. AS 08.32.160 is amended to read:

26 Sec. 08.32.160. SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION OF LICENSE. (a) The
27 board may suspend or revoke, with power to reinstate, the license of
28 a dental hygienist who violates this chapter or who is guilty of pro-
29 fessional misbehavior, or is not of good moral character.

1 (b) The board shall revoke or suspend the license of any licensed
2 and registered dental hygienist who is found guilty of using, or
3 attempting to use any prophylactic lists, call lists, records, re-
4 prints or copies of these, or information gathered from them, of the
5 name of patients who might have been served in the office of a prior
6 employer, unless the name appears on the bona fide call or prophy-
7 lactic list of the present employer, and was caused to appear there
8 through the legitimate practice of dentistry. No order of suspension
9 or revocation may be made except after hearing by the board as pro-
10 vided in this chapter.

11 * Sec. 8. AS 08.36.310 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

12 (28) aids or encourages a dental hygienist, employed by
13 him, by the use of a prophylactic call list or by any other means, to
14 solicit patronage from patients formerly served in the office of a
15 dentist formerly employing the hygienist.