

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE COMMERCE COMMITTEE

2 SENATE BILL NO. 358

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the examination and licensing of
7 dentists."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 08.36.030 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 08.36.030. ELECTION OF OFFICERS. The board shall elect a
11 president and a secretary [SECRETARY-TREASURER] from among its members,
12 each to serve for a term not to exceed [OF] two years.

13 * Sec. 2. AS 08.36.190 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 08.36.190. GRADING OF EXAMINATION. Upon the conclusion of
15 the written examination and as soon as practicable, the papers shall be
16 rated by an examiner. The examiner shall prepare a report in duplicate
17 on each written examination and a report in duplicate on each practical
18 examination. The examiner shall forward one copy of each report on
19 each candidate to the secretary [GOVERNOR, AND SHALL FORWARD ONE COPY
20 OF EACH REPORT TO THE SECRETARY-TREASURER] of the board and one copy to
21 the division of occupational licensing. The secretary [SECRETARY-
22 TREASURER] shall prepare a composite report on each applicant and file
23 one copy of his report with the division of occupational licensing
24 [GOVERNOR]. As soon as practicable the division of occupational licensing
25 [BOARD] shall notify each candidate of the results of the examination.

26 * Sec. 3. AS 08.36.210 is amended to read:

27 Sec. 08.36.210. WAIVER OF EXAMINATION BY RECIPROCITY. The board
28 may [SHALL] waive the requirement for written examination for a graduate
29 of an approved dental school who has been licensed, and has been in

1 legal and reputable practice of dentistry in a state, territory,
2 district or possession of the United States which has requirements
3 for licensing, and gives reciprocal rights, equivalent to those of
4 this state, if the applicant meets the requirements of sec. 110 of this
5 chapter.

6 * Sec. 4. AS 08.36.220 is amended to read:

7 Sec. 08.36.220. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY. If an appli-
8 cant having the qualifications contained in secs. 110 and 210 of this
9 chapter has been engaged in the practice of dentistry for a period of
10 five years in a state, territory, district or possession of the United
11 States, immediately preceding his application to practice in the state,
12 the board may [SHALL] license the applicant without examination.

13 * Sec. 5. AS 08.36.230 is amended to read:

14 Sec. 08.36.230. PRACTICE OUTSIDE THE STATE. A dentist licensed
15 to practice in this state and residing and practicing dentistry outside
16 of this state, may maintain his eligibility to practice in this state by
17 biennially [ANNUALLY] registering his name and place of residence with
18 the division of occupational licensing [BOARD]. If the dentist fails
19 to register, the board may reinstate his license without examination
20 upon payment of a penalty of payment of all delinquent registration
21 fees, and presentation of proof of active practice at his place of resi-
22 dence certified by the dental board having jurisdiction at his place
23 of residence, or, if there is no board, by evidence satisfactory to the
24 board.

25 * Sec. 6. AS 08.36.240 is amended to read:

26 Sec. 08.36.240. ISSUANCE OF LICENSE; RECORDATION; DISPLAY. The
27 board shall issue a license to each successful applicant who has paid
28 the required fees. The holder of a license shall register it in the
29 office of the clerk of the superior court in the judicial district of

1 his place of residence [AND PAY THE FEE ESTABLISHED FOR REGISTRATION].
2 The licensee shall display the license in a conspicuous place where he
3 practices.

4 * Sec. 7. AS 08.36.250 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 08.36.250. BIENNIAL REGISTRATION. At least 60 days before
6 January 1 of every other year, the division of occupational licensing
7 [CENTRAL LICENSING SECTION] shall mail a form for biennial registration
8 to each licensed dentist. Each licensee shall complete the form and
9 return it together with the registration fee. The division of occupa-
10 tional licensing [CENTRAL LICENSING SECTION] shall, as soon as practi-
11 cable, issue a registration certificate valid for the years for which
12 issued. Each licensee shall keep the registration certificate beside
13 or attached to his license. Failure to receive the registration form
14 does not exempt a dentist from biennial registration.

15 * Sec. 8. AS 08.36.280(a) is amended to read:

16 (a) The board may [SHALL] issue a one year temporary permit
17 without examination to an applicant to practice dentistry in a locality
18 requested by the applicant if the locality is of the type specified in
19 (a)(2) of this section and the applicant

20 (1) meets the requirements of sec. 110 of this chapter;

21 (2) desires to practice dentistry in a city or rural village
22 which does not have a resident licensed dentist in active general
23 practice;

24 [(i) DOES NOT HAVE A RESIDENT LICENSED DENTIST IN ACTIVE
25 GENERAL PRACTICE,

26 (ii) HAS A POPULATION OF LESS THAN 3,000 PEOPLE AS DETERMINED
27 BY THE BEST AVAILABLE CENSUS INFORMATION, AND

28 (iii) IS BEYOND A 25 MILE RADIUS OF THE NEAREST OFFICE OF A
29 RESIDENT LICENSED DENTIST;]

1 (3) has a license in good standing to practice dentistry in
2 a state, territory, district or possession of the United States;

3 (4) tenders and pays the fee prescribed in sec. 290(6) of
4 this chapter.

5 * Sec. 9. AS 08.36.280(c) is amended to read:

6 (c) The board may [SHALL] annually renew a temporary permit upon
7 written application of an applicant and upon payment of the prescribed
8 fee if the applicant has not committed an act which is a ground for
9 revocation in sec. 310 of this chapter, but in any case, within two
10 years from issuance of his first temporary permit, the applicant must
11 pass a board exam.

12 * Sec. 10. AS 08.36.285 is repealed.
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