

**HB**

**324**

# SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/12/94

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4/30/94

HES Committee considered HOUSE BILL NO. 324

"An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Dental Examiners; and providing for an effective date."

and recommends:

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)
- or  adopt previous \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Intent

further referral to the \_\_\_\_\_

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

**NEW FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
Commerce Econ Dev	3/2/94	✓	

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

**DO PASS:**

Ronan A. Leman  
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**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Mike Miller No Rec  
Jim No Rec  
Best Shop N/R  
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Chair Chair No Rec  
 Chair: Signature and Recommendation



House of Representatives

**SPONSOR STATEMENT  
HB 324**

**“An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Dental  
Examiners; and providing for an effective date.”**

The Board of Dental Examiners did sunset June 30, 1993. Under AS 08.03.020, a board that is not continued by the legislature, shall continue in existence until June 30 of the next succeeding year for the purpose of concluding its affairs. The board is currently in the process of phasing itself out. HB 324 will prevent the phase out and extend the Board of Dental Examiners.

The general purpose of the Board of Dental Examiners is to regulate and control licensing, permits, and revocations of the dental profession. Some specific duties of the board include:

1. Responding to questions concerning the regulation of dental hygienists.
2. Investigating the means and mechanisms of assuring quality control of functions delegated to allied dental health professions.
3. Encouraging the Governor's office to expedite appointments and reappointments of board members.
4. Maintaining adequate procedures for background investigations of all licensure applicants.
5. Interacting with testing entities to ensure continued upgrading of examination procedures and content.
6. Distributing licensure information through the board-published newsletter.
7. Developing ethics policies. Supports dental education.
8. Assisting the division in establishment of fees commensurate with costs incurred for each license category.
9. Developing infection control regulations and radiation protection regulations.
10. Maintaining compliance with the Americans for Disabilities Act.

The Board of Dental Examiners is an important board. They protect the public by overseeing the dental industry. I urge your favorable consideration of this legislation.

# FISCAL NOTE

**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**1994 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**BILL NO. HB 324**

Revision Date: 2/25/94  
 Title: An Act extending the termination date of the Board of Dental Examiners and providing for an eff. date  
 Sponsor: Representative Bunde  
 Requestor: Representative Bunde

Department: Commerce and Economic Dev.  
 BRU: Occupational Licensing  
 Component: Operations  
 COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 1844

Expenditures/Revenues		(Thousands of Dollars)					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00	
PERSONAL SERVICES							
TRAVEL							
CONTRACTUAL							
SUPPLIES							
EQUIPMENT							
LAND & STRUCTURES							
GRANTS, CLAIMS							
MISCELLANEOUS							
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGE IN REVENUES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
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FUND SOURCE		(Thousands of Dollars)					
1002 Federal Receipt:							
1003 GF Match							
1004 General Fund							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1006 GF/MHTA							
Other							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	

Estimate of any current year (FY 94) cost: \$ None

POSITIONS		FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99	FY 00
FULL-TIME		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
PART-TIME		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TEMPORARY		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**ANALYSIS:** (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The bill extends the Board of Dental Examiners to June 30, 1997. Funding for the Board of Dental Examiners is included in the FY 95 operating budget; therefore, new funds are not required.

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 Approved by Commissioner: Paul Fuhs  
 Agency: Commerce and Economic Development

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Bill# HB 324 Title: [REDACTED]  
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Message: I AM IN SUPPORT OF KEEPING THE BOARD. AT A TIME WHEN MEDICAL/DENTAL  
CARE HAS SO MUCH CROSSFIRE WE NEED TO KEEP OUR ORGANIZATION IN TACT.

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Bill# HB 324 Title: [REDACTED]  
Subject [REDACTED]

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Message: I WOULD LIKE TO SEE ALASKA STAY UP WITH ALL THE OTHER STATES.  
(EXTEND BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS)

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Bill# HB 324 Title: EXTEND BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS  
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Bill# HB 324 Title: EXTEND BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS  
Subject

SUPPORTS THIS LEGISLATION

Message: A SPECIAL THANKS TO REP. CON BUNDE FOR SPONSORING THIS BILL, TO  
EXTEND THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS. I FULLY SUPPORT THIS BILL.

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March 21, 1994

Representative Con Bunde  
Alaska State Legislature  
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Dear Representative Bunde:

I have enclosed the Department of Commerce and Economic Development Division of Occupational Licensing report on licensees by category. Please take careful note at the numbers. It has been suggested by the legislative audit report that an additional public member should be added due to the fact that the board has been remiss IE not issuing licenses by credentials.

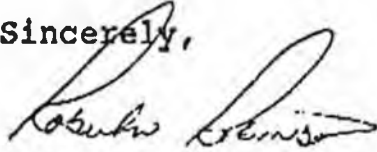
During the last three years the board has issued 127 licenses and of those 86 were by credentials. This is a ratio of 2:1 licenses by credentials vs examination (if these were equal IE 1:1 you would be able to say the board was being fair in how they issued licenses). Please also note that only 12 out of 100 licenses by credentials were denied, which is only 12%. There were 3 denials by examination out of 44 which is 7%. I DO SEE WHERE THE BOARD HAS BEEN REMISS IN ISSUING LICENSES BY CREDENTIALS.

The board has also faced a completely new statute concerning licensing by credentials. It is common knowledge that it takes time to establish policy and put that policy into regulation after a new statute. The board made this it's priority and has a new regulation in place which will lessen the "confusion" and speed the process.

The board is required by statute to conduct four meetings each fiscal year. The last two meetings of FY 94 were cancelled due to the lack of funds in the budget. This put me as chairman in a bad situation. It also was not fair to the public nor applicants who by statute were denied their rightful meetings. The board has been told there was no funds available for even one witness necessary to defend the board in hearings. Now the legislative audit report is suggesting the addition of an additional public member which would increase the cost of the board substantially.

The Board of Dental Examiners was created to protect the public. Please do not dilute this critical function further by the addition of another public member.

Sincerely,



Robert W. Robinson II, DMD  
Chairman, Board of Dental Examiners

**State of Alaska  
Department of Commerce and Economic Development  
Division of Occupational Licensing  
Board of Dental Examiners**

**Comparison of Licensure by Credentials  
with Licensure by Examination**

FY 91	FY 92	FY 93
July 1, 1990 - June 30, 1991	July 1, 1991 - June 30, 1992	July 1, 1992 - June 30, 1993
<u>Dentists</u>	<u>Dentists</u>	<u>Dentists</u>
Exam: 4	Exam: 19	Exam: 18
Credentials: 20	Credentials: 55	Credentials: 11
<u>Hygienists</u>	<u>Hygienists</u>	<u>Hygienists</u>
Exam: 26	Exam: 19	Exam: 20
Credentials: 14	Credentials: 22	Credentials: 21

Dentists

Total to date by examination: 41

Total to date by credentials: 86

Total Applying:

Hygienists

Total to date by examination: 65

Total to date by credentials: 57

	<u>Dentist</u>		<u>Hygienist</u>	
	<u>Credential</u>	<u>Examination</u>	<u>Credential</u>	<u>Examination</u>
Withdrawn:	3	0	0	0
Pending:	5	10	6	2
Denied:	12	3	0	0

Statistics compiled by:

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