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11 Senator Fasano moved the following amendment:

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13 **Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

14 On page 74, before line 1,

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16 insert:

17 Section 34. Subsection (2) of section 466.006, Florida  
18 Statutes, is amended to read:

19 466.006 Examination of dentists.--

20 (2) An applicant shall be entitled to take the  
21 examinations required in this section to practice dentistry in  
22 this state if the applicant:

23 (a) Is 18 years of age or older.

24 (b)1. Is a graduate of a dental school accredited by  
25 the Commission on Accreditation of the American Dental  
26 Association or its successor agency, if any, or any other  
27 nationally recognized accrediting agency; ~~or-~~

28 2. Is a dental student in the final year of such an  
29 accredited school who has completed all the coursework  
30 necessary to prepare him or her to perform the clinical and  
31 diagnostic procedures required to pass the examinations. With

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1 respect to a dental student in his or her final year of dental  
2 school, a passing score on the examinations is valid for 180  
3 days after the date the examinations were completed. A dental  
4 school student who takes the licensure examinations during his  
5 or her final year of an approved dental school must have  
6 graduated before being certified for licensure pursuant to s.  
7 466.011.

8 (c) Has successfully completed the National Board of  
9 Dental Examiners dental examination within 10 years before of  
10 the date of application.

11 Section 35. Section 466.0065, Florida Statutes, is  
12 created to read:

13 466.0065 Regional licensure examinations.--

14 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that schools  
15 of dentistry be allowed to offer regional licensure  
16 examinations to dental students who are in the final year of  
17 an approved dental school for the sole purpose of facilitating  
18 the student's licensing in other jurisdictions. This section  
19 does not allow a person to be licensed as a dentist in this  
20 state without taking the examinations as set forth in s.  
21 466.006, nor does this section mean that regional examinations  
22 administered under this section may be substituted for  
23 complying with testing requirements under s. 466.006.

24 (2) Each school of dentistry in this state which is  
25 accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the American  
26 Dental Association or its successor agency may, upon written  
27 approval by the Board of Dentistry, offer regional licensure  
28 examinations only to dental students in the final year of an  
29 approved dental school, if the board has determined that the  
30 dental school hosting the examination will comply with the  
31 following conditions:

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- 1           (a) The examining body must be a member of the  
2 American Association of Dental Examiners.
- 3           (b) The student must have successfully completed parts  
4 I and II of the National Board of Dental Examiners examination  
5 within 2 years before taking the regional examination.
- 6           (c) The student must possess medical malpractice  
7 insurance in amounts that the board determines to be  
8 sufficient to cover any reasonably foreseeable incident of harm  
9 to a patient during the clinical portion of the regional  
10 examination.
- 11           (d) The regional examination must be monitored by  
12 dentists licensed in this state who are approved by the board  
13 and who have completed a mandatory standardization exercise  
14 before each practical or clinical portion of the examination.
- 15           (e) Adequate arrangements must be made, when  
16 necessary, for patients who require followup care as a result  
17 of procedures performed during the clinical portion of the  
18 regional examination.
- 19           (f) The board chair or the chair's designee must be  
20 allowed to observe testing while it is in progress.
- 21           (g) Each student, upon applying to take the regional  
22 examination, must receive written disclosure in at least  
23 12-point boldface type which states: "This examination does  
24 not meet the licensure requirements of chapter 466, Florida  
25 Statutes, for licensure in the State of Florida. Persons  
26 wishing to practice dentistry in Florida must pass the Florida  
27 licensure examinations. For more information on Florida's  
28 licensure examination procedures, please contact the Florida  
29 Board of Dentistry."
- 30           (h) The student must be enrolled as a dental student  
31 in his or her final year of an approved dental school that is

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1 accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the American  
2 Dental Association or its successor agency.

3 (i) The student must have completed all the coursework  
4 necessary to prepare him or her to perform all clinical and  
5 diagnostic procedures required to pass the regional  
6 examination.

7 (j) The student's academic record must not include any  
8 evidence suggesting that the student poses an unreasonable  
9 risk to any live patients who are required for the clinical  
10 portion of the regional examination. In order to protect the  
11 health and safety of the residents of this state, the board  
12 may request additional information and documents pertaining to  
13 the candidate's mental and physical health in order to fully  
14 assess the candidate's fitness to engage in exercises  
15 involving a live patient.

16 (3) A student who takes a regional examination  
17 pursuant to this section does not have standing to assert that  
18 a state agency has taken action for which a hearing may be  
19 sought under ss. 120.569 and 120.57.

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21 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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24 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 On page 4, line 2, after the semicolon,

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28 insert:

29 amending s. 466.006, F.S.; allowing certain  
30 dental students to take the examinations  
31 required to practice dentistry in this state

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1           under specified conditions; providing a  
2           prerequisite to licensure of such students;  
3           creating s. 466.0065, F.S.; allowing certain  
4           dental students to take regional licensure  
5           examinations under specified conditions;  
6           restricting the applicability of examination  
7           results to licensing in other jurisdictions;  
8           requiring approval by the Board of Dentistry  
9           and providing prerequisites to such approval;

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