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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

The Committee on Health Policy (Albritton) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 41 - 118

and insert:

has typodont teeth with simulated calculus as approved by the Commission on Dental Competency Assessments ~~live patient~~;

4. A demonstration of prosthetics and restorative skills in complete and partial dentures and crowns and bridges and the utilization of practical methods of evaluation, specifically including the evaluation by the candidate of completed



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11 laboratory products such as, but not limited to, crowns and
12 inlays filled to prepared model teeth;

13 5. A demonstration of restorative skills on a manikin
14 ~~mannequin~~ which requires the candidate to complete procedures
15 performed in preparation for a cast restoration;

16 6. A demonstration of endodontic skills; and

17 7. A diagnostic skills examination demonstrating ability to
18 diagnose conditions within the human oral cavity and its
19 adjacent tissues and structures from photographs, slides,
20 radiographs, or models pursuant to rules of the board. If an
21 applicant fails to pass the diagnostic skills examination in
22 three attempts, the applicant is ~~shall~~ not ~~be~~ eligible for
23 reexamination unless she or he completes additional educational
24 requirements established by the board.

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26 The department shall require a mandatory standardization
27 exercise for all examiners prior to each practical or clinical
28 examination and shall retain for employment only those dentists
29 who have substantially adhered to the standard of grading
30 established at such exercise.

31 Section 2. Paragraphs (c), (e), and (j) of subsection (2)
32 of section 466.0065, Florida Statutes, are amended to read:

33 466.0065 Regional licensure examinations.—

34 (2) Each school of dentistry in this state which is
35 accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of the American
36 Dental Association or its successor agency may, upon written
37 approval by the Board of Dentistry, offer regional licensure
38 examinations only to dental students in the final year of a
39 program at an approved dental school, if the board has approved



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40 the hosting school's written plan to comply with the following
41 conditions:

42 ~~(c) The student must possess medical malpractice insurance~~
43 ~~in amounts not less than the amounts required to take the~~
44 ~~Florida licensure examinations.~~

45 ~~(c) Adequate arrangements, as defined by the regional~~
46 ~~examination body and as otherwise required by law, must be made,~~
47 ~~when necessary, for patients who require followup care as a~~
48 ~~result of procedures performed during the clinical portion of~~
49 ~~the regional examination. The regional examination body must~~
50 ~~inform patients in writing of their right to followup care in~~
51 ~~advance of any procedures performed by a student.~~

52 ~~(j) The student's academic record must not include any~~
53 ~~evidence suggesting that the student poses an unreasonable risk~~
54 ~~to any live patients who are required for the clinical portion~~
55 ~~of the regional examination. In order to protect the health and~~
56 ~~safety of the public, the dental school may request additional~~
57 ~~information and documents pertaining to the candidate's mental~~
58 ~~and physical health in order to fully assess the candidate's~~
59 ~~fitness to engage in exercises involving a live patient.~~

60 Section 3. Paragraph (b) of subsection (4) of section
61 466.007, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

62 466.007 Examination of dental hygienists.—

63 (4) Effective July 1, 2012, to be licensed as a dental
64 hygienist in this state, an applicant must successfully complete
65 the following:

66 (b) A practical or clinical examination approved by the
67 board. The examination shall be the Dental Hygiene Examination
68 produced by the American Board of Dental Examiners, Inc., (ADEX)



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69 or its successor entity, if any, if the board finds that the
70 successor entity's clinical examination meets or exceeds the
71 provisions of this section. The board shall approve the ADEX
72 Dental Hygiene Examination if the board has attained and
73 continues to maintain representation on the ADEX House of
74 Representatives, the ADEX Dental Hygiene Examination Development
75 Committee, and such other ADEX Dental Hygiene committees as the
76 board deems appropriate through rulemaking to ensure that the
77 standards established in this section are maintained
78 organizationally. The ADEX Dental Hygiene Examination or the
79 examination produced by its successor entity is a comprehensive
80 examination in which an applicant must demonstrate skills within
81 the dental hygiene scope of practice on a manikin that has
82 typodont teeth with simulated caries and calculus as approved by
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