

CERTIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT

**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1801**

53rd Legislature  
1993 Regular Session

Passed by the House April 20, 1993  
Yeas 97 Nays 0

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**Speaker of the  
House of Representatives**

Passed by the Senate April 12, 1993  
Yeas 45 Nays 0

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**President of the Senate**

Approved

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**Governor of the State of Washington**

CERTIFICATE

I, Alan Thompson, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Washington, do hereby certify that the attached is **SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1801** as passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate on the dates hereon set forth.

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Secretary of State  
State of Washington**

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AS AMENDED BY THE SENATE

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**By** House Committee on Health Care (originally sponsored by Representatives Morris, Flemming, Dellwo, Dyer, Zellinsky, Dorn, Valle, Rayburn, Ludwig, Bray, Pruitt and Long)

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1            AN ACT Relating to granting temporary licenses to dental hygienists  
2 licensed in another state; adding new sections to chapter 18.29 RCW;  
3 adding a new section to chapter 28B.125 RCW; creating new sections; and  
4 providing an expiration date.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

6            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 1.** The legislature declares that the granting  
7 of temporary licenses under this act is not intended to be a solution  
8 to the shortage of dental hygienists in the state of Washington. The  
9 legislature further declares that the long-term solution to these  
10 shortages must be addressed by expanding dental hygiene training  
11 programs at the state's colleges and universities.

12            NEW SECTION.    **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 18.29 RCW  
13 to read as follows:

14            (1) The department shall issue a temporary license without the  
15 examination required by this chapter to any applicant who, as  
16 determined by the secretary:

17            (a) Holds a valid license in another state that allows the scope of  
18 practice in subsection (3)(a) through (j) of this section;

1 (b) Is currently engaged in active practice in another state. For  
2 the purposes of this section, "active practice" means five hundred  
3 sixty hours of practice in the preceding twenty-four months;

4 (c) Files with the secretary documentation certifying that the  
5 applicant:

6 (i) Has graduated from an accredited dental hygiene school approved  
7 by the secretary;

8 (ii) Has successfully completed the dental hygiene national board  
9 examination; and

10 (iii) Is licensed to practice in another state;

11 (d) Provides information as the secretary deems necessary  
12 pertaining to the conditions and criteria of the uniform disciplinary  
13 act, chapter 18.130 RCW;

14 (e) Demonstrates to the secretary a knowledge of Washington state  
15 law pertaining to the practice of dental hygiene, including the  
16 administration of legend drugs;

17 (f) Pays any required fees; and

18 (g) Meets requirements for AIDS education.

19 (2) The term of the temporary license issued under this section is  
20 eighteen months and it is nonrenewable.

21 (3) A person practicing with a temporary license granted under this  
22 section has the authority to perform hygiene procedures that are  
23 limited to:

24 (a) Oral inspection and measuring of periodontal pockets;

25 (b) Patient education in oral hygiene;

26 (c) Taking intra-oral and extra-oral radiographs;

27 (d) Applying topical preventive or prophylactic agents;

28 (e) Polishing and smoothing restorations;

29 (f) Oral prophylaxis and removal of deposits and stains from the  
30 surface of the teeth;

31 (g) Recording health histories;

32 (h) Taking and recording blood pressure and vital signs;

33 (i) Performing subgingival and supragingival scaling; and

34 (j) Performing root planing.

35 (4)(a) A person practicing with a temporary license granted under  
36 this section may not perform the following dental hygiene procedures  
37 unless authorized in (b) or (c) of this subsection:

38 (i) Give injections of local anesthetic;

1 (ii) Place restorations into the cavity prepared by a licensed  
2 dentist and afterwards carve, contour, and adjust contacts and  
3 occlusion of the restoration;

4 (iii) Soft tissue curettage; or

5 (iv) Administer nitrous oxide/oxygen analgesia.

6 (b) A person licensed in another state who can demonstrate  
7 substantively equivalent licensing standards in the administration of  
8 local anesthetic may receive a temporary endorsement to administer  
9 local anesthesia.

10 (c) A person licensed in another state who can demonstrate  
11 substantively equivalent licensing standards in restorative procedures  
12 may receive a temporary endorsement for restorative procedures.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 18.29 RCW  
14 to read as follows:

15 A person granted a temporary license under this chapter who does  
16 not meet the requirements for substantively equivalent licensing  
17 standards in restorative or local anesthetic must submit proof of  
18 completion of approved education in these procedures before being  
19 eligible to take the dental hygiene examination.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 18.29 RCW  
21 to read as follows:

22 The secretary in consultation with the dental hygiene examining  
23 committee shall develop rules and definitions to implement this  
24 chapter.

25 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 28B.125  
26 RCW to read as follows:

27 (1) The state board for community and technical colleges, in  
28 coordination with the committee under this chapter, shall identify  
29 health professional training needs not currently met by community and  
30 technical colleges in the state. It shall recommend creation of new  
31 training programs necessary to meet the shortages and identify where  
32 such programs shall be located within the state's community and  
33 technical college system.

34 (2) Every publicly funded community and technical college  
35 identified by the board in subsection (1) of this section shall include  
36 in their biennial budget, and institutional plan, a description of the

1 training programs that will be created by the college or institute to  
2 alleviate the shortages.

3 (3) Health personnel shortages shall be determined in accordance  
4 with the health personnel resource plan required by this chapter.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** Sections 2 and 3 of this act shall expire on  
6 January 1, 1998.

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** (1) The department of health shall report to  
8 the legislature by December 1, 1996, on the need to continue granting  
9 temporary licenses to dental hygienists. The report shall identify  
10 alternatives to granting temporary licenses that meet the same goals  
11 and objectives, including increasing the number of dental hygienists  
12 trained in the state of Washington.

13 (2) A temporary licenses granted by the department under sections  
14 2 through 4 of this act is valid for the period issued.

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