

Department of Planning and Budget 2003 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number SB1090

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed

Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Bolling

3. Committee Education and Health

4. Title Dental hygienists' possession and administration of certain drugs

5. Summary/Purpose: Provides that, pursuant to a written order and in accordance with a standing protocol issued by the dentist in the course of his professional practice, a dentist may authorize a dental hygienist under his general supervision to possess and administer topical oral fluorides, topical oral anesthetics, topical and directly applied antimicrobial agents for treatment of periodontal pocket lesions, as well as any other Schedule VI topical drug approved by the Board of Dentistry. "General supervision" is defined as requiring the dentist to evaluate and prescribe the services but not to require the dentist to be present when the services are delivered. Currently, dentists may "cause" Schedule VI topical drugs to be administered under their "direction and supervision" by a dental hygienist or other authorized agent, i.e., when the dentist is present.

6. No Fiscal Impact

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: None

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected: None

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources