

Department of Planning and Budget
2005 Fiscal Impact Statement

- 1. Bill Number:** HB 2368
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| House of Origin | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed |
| Second House | <input type="checkbox"/> In Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Substitute | <input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled |
- 2. Patron:** L. Preston Bryant, Jr.
- 3. Committee:** Health, Welfare, and Institutions
- 4. Title:** Licensure of dentists and dental hygienists; continuing education requirements; trade names
- 5. Summary/Purpose:** Revises the licensure requirements for dentists and dental hygienists. Licensure requirements for dentists are amended to include (i) passage of Parts I and II of the examination given by the Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations, (ii) completion of a clinical examination, and (iii) fulfillment of other qualifications as determined by regulations of the Board of Dentistry. Licensure requirements for dental hygienists are amended to include passage of the dental hygiene examination given by the Joint Commission on Dental Examinations and completion of a clinical examination. The Board may grant a license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene to an applicant licensed to practice in another jurisdiction if he meets all licensure requirements, holds a current unrestricted license to practice dentistry or dental hygiene in another jurisdiction in the United States, and has not committed any act set forth in the Code that would constitute grounds for denial. Practitioners of dentistry and dental hygiene must complete continuing education requirements to renew or reinstate their professional licenses; however, such practitioners holding volunteer or temporary licenses shall not be subject to continuing education requirements. The bill further authorizes temporary permits for hygienists serving in certain Virginia Charitable corporations; adds the Commonwealth Dental Hygienists' Society to the organizations that may submit names to the Governor to fill professional vacancies on the Board of Dentistry; permits the use of trade names, with certain limitations, by a dentist, partnership, professional corporation, or professional limited liability company that owns a dental practice; and repeals current provisions prohibiting licensure by reciprocity or endorsement. Emergency regulations are authorized to be promulgated by the Board of Dentistry.
- 6. Fiscal impact is minimal (see item 8)**
- 7. Budget amendment necessary:** No
- 8. Fiscal implications:** It is expected that this legislation will result in additional licensure applications from dentists practicing in other states; however application/renewal fees are sufficient to cover any additional expenses.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Department of Health Professions

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: No

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources