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HOUSE BILL NO. 2134

Offered January 15, 1997

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding a section numbered 54.1-2712.1, relating to restricted volunteer licenses for dentists.

Patrons—Grayson; Senator: Norment

Referred to Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding a section numbered 54.1-2712.1 as follows:**

§ 54.1-2712.1. Restricted volunteer license for certain dentists.

A. The Board may issue a restricted volunteer license to a dentist who:

1. Has held the corresponding license in another state as a licensee in good standing;

2. Has passed an examination as prescribed by the Board;

3. Has not failed the state's corresponding clinical examination within the past five years; and

4. Shall have at least five years of clinical practice.

B. A person holding a restricted volunteer license under this section:

1. Shall only practice in clinics prescribed by the Board pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Board;

2. Shall only treat patients who have no insurance or who are not eligible for financial assistance for dental treatment; and

3. Shall not receive remuneration directly or indirectly for providing dental services.

C. A dentist with a restricted volunteer license issued under this section only shall practice dentistry and perform dental procedures if:

1. A dentist with an unrestricted license is available on the premises; or

2. The dentist reviews every thirty days with a licensed dentist in good standing the cases of all patients treated during the thirty-day period.

D. A restricted voluntary license granted pursuant to this section shall expire twelve months from the date of issuance and may be renewed annually in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Board.

E. A dentist holding a restricted volunteer license issued pursuant to this section is subject to the provisions of this chapter and the regulations promulgated under this chapter unless otherwise provided for in this section.

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