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HOUSE BILL NO. 2134

AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE

(Proposed by the Senate Committee on Education and Health on February 16, 1997)

(Patron Prior to Substitute—Delegate Grayson)

A BILL to amend the Code of Virginia by adding sections numbered 54.1-2712.1 and 54.1-2726.1, relating to restricted volunteer licenses for dentists and dental hygienists.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

- 1. That the Code of Virginia is amended by adding sections numbered 54.1-2712.1 and 54.1-2726.1 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 has:
 - 1. Held the corresponding license in another state as a licensee in good standing;
 - 2. Passed an examination as prescribed by the Board;
 - 3. Not failed the state's corresponding clinical examination within the past five years; and
 - 4. Had at least five years of clinical practice.
 - B. A person holding a restricted volunteer license under this section shall:
 - 1. Only practice in public health or community free clinics approved by the Board;
- 2. Only treat patients who have no insurance or who are not eligible for financial assistance for dental treatment; and
 - 3. Not receive remuneration directly or indirectly for providing dental services.
- C. A dentist with a restricted volunteer license issued under this section shall only 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.
 - § 54.1-2726.1. Restricted volunteer license for certain dental hygienists.
 - A. The Board may issue a restricted volunteer license to a dental hygienist who has:
 - 1. Held the corresponding license in another state as a licensee in good standing:
 - 2. Passed an examination as prescribed by the Board;
 - 3. Not failed the state's corresponding clinical examination within the past five years; and
 - 4. Had at least five years of clinical practice.
 - B. A person holding a restricted volunteer license under this section shall:
- 1. Only practice in public health or community free clinics approved by the Board pursuant to regulations promulgated by the Board;
- 2. Only treat patients who have no insurance or who are not eligible for financial assistance for dental treatment; and
 - 3. Not receive remuneration directly or indirectly for providing dental hygiene services.
- C. A dental hygienist with a restricted volunteer license issued under this section shall only practice dental hygiene under the direction of a dentist with an unrestricted license.
- 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 dental hygienist 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.