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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTISTS.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 448-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3           "**§448-9 Application for licensure.** Any person of eighteen  
4 years or more shall be eligible for licensure upon submission  
5 of:

6           (1) An application to the executive officer of the board  
7 not later than forty-five days prior to the date of  
8 the scheduled examination;

9           (2) Application and examination fees; [~~and~~]

10           (3) Documentation and credentials that shall include but  
11 are not limited to the following:

12           (A) A diploma or certificate of graduation from a  
13 dental college accredited by the American Dental  
14 Association Commission on Dental Accreditation,  
15 recognized and approved by the board; and

16           (B) A certificate or other evidence satisfactory to  
17 the board of having passed parts I and II of the  
18 National Board Dental Examination[~~-~~]; and



1        (4) A background check conducted by the board of dental  
 2                    examiners; provided that the applicant shall pay for  
 3                    the costs of the background check."

4        SECTION 2. Section 448-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
 5 amended to read as follows:

6        "**§448-11 Investigations and hearings.** The board of dental  
 7 examiners, or its duly authorized representative, may inquire of  
 8 any applicant for examination concerning the applicant's  
 9 character, qualifications, or experience and may conduct  
 10 investigations and hearings in order to secure further  
 11 information concerning the character, qualifications, or  
 12 experience of any such applicant[-], including but not limited  
 13 to a background check conducted by the board of dental  
 14 examiners."

15        SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
 16 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

17        SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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**Report Title:**

Dentistry

**Description:**

Authorizes the board of dental examiners to conduct background checks on applicants for a dental license.

