
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTISTRY.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to modify dental
2 licensing laws to ensure that dentists participating in an
3 accredited multi-year dental residency program can obtain
4 temporary licensure for the duration of their training.

5 SECTION 2. Section 448-12, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended to read as follows:

7 "**§448-12 Temporary license.** (a) The board of dental
8 examiners may issue without examination to any resident or
9 nonresident otherwise qualified to be examined a temporary
10 license to practice dentistry in the employment of the State or
11 any county, or any legally incorporated eleemosynary dispensary
12 or infirmary, private school, or welfare center. The temporary
13 license shall authorize the person to whom the license is issued
14 to practice dentistry exclusively while engaged in that
15 employment and shall be in force until the earliest of the
16 following occurs:



(1) The date the person leaves the employment authorized under the temporary license;

(2) The three hundred ninety-sixth calendar day following the date of issuance of the temporary license;

(3) The date on which the results of the licensure examination taken by the person under this chapter are posted by the board; or

(4) The date on which the board revokes the temporary license;

provided that the board may revoke the temporary license at any time for cause.

No person who has failed an examination shall have the benefit of any temporary license.

(b) The board of dental examiners may issue without examination to any resident or nonresident licensed in another state and otherwise qualified to be examined a temporary license to practice dentistry while in the employment of the department of health to provide dental services to Hansen's disease sufferers. The temporary license shall be valid for a period of three years or until the first board examination after the conclusion of the three-year period and only while the person to whom the temporary license is issued is in the employment of the



1 department of health and works under the general direction and
2 supervision of a duly licensed dentist. The temporary license
3 shall not be renewed and shall be reviewed annually by the board
4 of dental examiners for continuance and shall be subject to
5 revocation and suspension as provided in section 448-17. The
6 temporary licensee shall not be eligible for examination by the
7 board of dental examiners while the temporary license is in
8 effect.

9 (c) The board of dental examiners may issue a temporary
10 license without examination to any person otherwise qualified to
11 be examined, who is enrolled in a post-doctoral residency
12 program that is accredited and recognized by the American Dental
13 Association Commission on Dental Accreditation. The temporary
14 license shall authorize the person to whom the license is issued
15 to practice dentistry exclusively under the auspices of the
16 dental residency program and shall be in force until the
17 earliest of the following occurs:

18 (1) The date the person completes or leaves the residency
19 program; or

20 (2) The date on which the board revokes the temporary
21 license;



1 provided that the board may revoke the temporary license at any
2 time for cause.

3 (d) Post-doctoral dental residents who are granted
4 temporary licenses under this section shall:

- 5 (1) Be assigned to affiliated training sites that are
6 restricted to eleemosynary health care organizations,
7 training site hospitals, or university-affiliated
8 training programs, and that shall be visited and
9 accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation
10 of the American Dental Association, consistent with
11 the policies of the Commission on Dental Accreditation
12 of the American Dental Association; and
13 (2) Act under the direct supervision of the dental
14 residency faculty licensed in Hawaii."

15 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



Report Title:

Dental Health; Dentists; Temporary License; Residency

Description:

Amends dental licensing laws so that a dentist enrolled in an American Dental Association Commission on Dental Accreditation accredited dental residency program can be granted a temporary license for the duration of the program. Effective July 1, 2020. (SB426 HD1)

