
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTISTS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 448, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:
- 4 "§448- Specialty license. (a) A licensed dentist shall
5 not:
- 6 (1) Announce or hold the dentist's self out to the public
7 as a specialist; or
- 8 (2) Practice as a specialist,
9 unless the licensed dentist has complied with the requirements
10 of this section.
- 11 (b) The board shall issue a specialty license to a
12 licensed dentist who:
- 13 (1) Has been certified in any specialty by an examining
14 board recognized by the American Dental Association;
15 and
- 16 (2) Submits an application for a specialty license, which
17 shall be accompanied by an application fee.



1 (c) Licensees shall be subject to the penalties set forth
2 in section 448-17 for failure to renew the licensee's specialty
3 license or licenses or for failure to pay the renewal fee.

4 (d) As used in this section:

5 "Licensee" means a licensed dentist who has been approved
6 by the board to hold a specialty license pursuant to this
7 section.

8 "Licensed dentist" means a dentist who is licensed to
9 practice dentistry in the State of Hawaii and holds a current
10 certificate of license pursuant to section 448-13."

11 SECTION 2. Section 448-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 **"§448-7 Fees.** (a) Every applicant qualified for
14 registration shall pay a license fee before entering practice.
15 Every person holding a license to practice dentistry in the
16 State shall pay to the board on or before December 31 of each
17 odd-numbered year, a biennial registration fee. The failure,
18 neglect, or refusal of any duly licensed dentist or doctor of
19 dental surgery to pay the biennial fee during the time the
20 license remains in force, shall constitute a forfeiture of the
21 license. The license may be restored upon written application



1 therefor and the payment to the board of dental examiners of the
2 appropriate fee.

3 (b) A licensed dentist applying for a specialty license
4 pursuant to section 448- shall pay an application fee upon
5 application for a specialty license. A specialty licensee shall
6 pay an annual renewal fee for each applicable area of specialty
7 pursuant to section 448- ."

8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Dentists; Specialty Licenses

Description:

Creates specialty licenses for dentists qualified to practice a specialty recognized by the American Dental Association.

Effective July 1, 2050. (HB2460 HD1)

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