A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTISTRY.

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

- SECTION 1. Chapter 448, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated

 and to read as follows:

 "§448- Board of dental examiners; summary suspension.

 (a) The board of dental examiners may summarily suspend any

 license issued under this chapter upon a specific determination

 that the failure to take such an action may result in an
- 8 immediate and unreasonable threat to personal safety or of fraud
- 9 that jeopardizes or endangers the health or safety of patients
- 10 as determined by the professional standards of care upon
- 11 consumers, and that, for the protection of the public from the
- 12 possible consequences of such practices, the license should be
- immediately suspended or restricted.
- 14 (b) The order of summary suspension shall include a brief
- 15 statement of findings of fact and conclusions of law and shall
- 16 be served upon the licensee as required by chapter 91. The
- 17 order of summary suspension shall be effective upon service.

1 (c) A licensee served with an order of summary suspension 2 shall have the right to request a hearing to show cause why the 3 order of summary suspension should be terminated. Any request 4 for a hearing shall be made in writing and filed with the board 5 of dental examiners within five business days of service of the order. The board shall hold a hearing within seven business 6 days of receipt of the licensee's request for the hearing to 7 8 show cause. 9 (d) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, an order summarily suspending a license issued under this chapter shall 10 remain in effect until the effective date of a final decision 11 and order issued by the board of dental examiners in a 12 disciplinary action or the effective date of an order issued by 13 the board of dental examiners terminating the summary suspension 14 following a hearing to show cause, whichever occurs first, but 15 in either case shall not exceed thirty business days. 16 **17** (e) The board of dental examiners shall conduct a hearing for disciplinary action against a licensee whose license has 18 19 been summarily suspended under this section within twenty 20 business days from the effective date of the order of summary 21 suspension.

- 1 (f) Any attempt by the licensee to continue the practice
- 2 of dentistry or the practice of dentistry by the licensee while
- 3 the license has been summarily suspended shall be grounds for
- 4 revocation of the license."
- 5 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 6 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 7 begun, before its effective date.
- 8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on January 7, 2059.

Report Title:

Dentistry; Summary Suspension of License; Board of Dental Examiners

Description:

Authorizes the board of dental examiners to summarily suspend a license. Effective 1/7/2059. (SD2)

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