

SENATE FILE NO. SF0109

Board of dental examiners-amendments.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Cooper and Nethercott and  
Representative(s) Greear, Ottman, Wilson and  
Winter

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to dentists and dental hygienists; amending  
2 examination, fee and license requirements for the practice  
3 of dentistry; amending renewal license requirements and  
4 procedures; amending requirements to be established by the  
5 board of dental examiners; amending qualification and  
6 licensure requirements for dental hygienists; specifying  
7 applicability; and providing for an effective date.

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9 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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11 **Section 1.** W.S. 33-15-108(a) through (c) and (f),  
12 33-15-109(a) and 33-15-120(a) and (c) are amended to  
13 read:

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1           **33-15-108. Licensing; qualifications; examinations;**  
2 **fees.**

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4           (a) Any person who has a background that does not  
5 evidence conduct adverse to the practice of dentistry or to  
6 the ability to practice dentistry, who has graduated and  
7 attained the degree of doctor of dental surgery or doctor  
8 of dental medicine from a college or university in the  
9 United States or Canada accredited by the commission on  
10 dental accreditation of the American Dental Association,  
11 may apply to the board to have the applicant's  
12 qualifications considered for licensure to practice  
13 dentistry. The applicant shall pass a written, and  
14 practical clinical and state examination in a manner  
15 satisfactory to as determined by rule of the board. ~~The~~  
16 ~~written examination shall consist of part I and part II of~~  
17 ~~the national board of dental examinations administered by~~  
18 ~~the joint commission on national dental examinations of the~~  
19 ~~American Dental Association and an examination on the~~  
20 ~~Wyoming Dental Practice Act and the rules and regulations~~  
21 ~~of the board of dental examiners. The clinical practical~~  
22 ~~examination shall be based on satisfactory completion of a~~  
23 ~~clinical examination acceptable to the board.~~

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2 (b) The board ~~shall~~may set ~~the examination fee fees~~  
3 for initial examinations and reexamination. ~~and all~~  
4 ~~reexamination fees shall be the same as the current fee for~~  
5 ~~the initial examination.~~ Fees shall be paid to the board  
6 office before the examination or reexamination. The fee  
7 shall be paid by ~~money order, cashier's check or certified~~  
8 ~~check~~any method designated by the board, and in no case  
9 shall the fee be refunded.

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11 (c) The applicant shall be informed ~~in writing by~~  
12 ~~certified mail~~ of the results of his examination within  
13 thirty (30) days after the examination.

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15 (f) The board shall keep ~~a record book in which is~~  
16 ~~recorded~~records of the names and addresses of all  
17 applicants and such other matters as affords a full record  
18 of the actions of the board. The records or transcripts of  
19 the records, duly certified by the president and secretary  
20 of the board with the seal of the board attached, is prima  
21 facie evidence before all courts of this state of the  
22 entries therein.

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1           **33-15-109. Renewal license certificate.**

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3           (a) On or before December 31 ~~each~~ of every second  
4 year, each dentist licensed to practice dentistry in this  
5 state and wishing to continue in the practice of dentistry  
6 shall submit a license renewal application with the  
7 applicable renewal fee. Any license granted by the board  
8 shall ~~be cancelled after ten (10) days notice by registered~~  
9 ~~mail~~ expire if the holder fails to secure the renewal  
10 certificate within three (3) months after ~~December 31 each~~  
11 ~~year~~ the date that the license renewal application is  
12 required to be submitted.

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14           **33-15-120. Dental           hygienists;           qualifications;**  
15 **examination; fees and license.**

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17           (a) Any person who has a background that does not  
18 evidence conduct adverse to the practice of dental hygiene  
19 or to the ability to practice dental hygiene who is a  
20 graduate of a dental hygiene program accredited by the  
21 commission on dental accreditation of the American Dental  
22 Association, who has passed ~~in a manner satisfactory to the~~  
23 ~~board the dental hygiene national board examination~~

1 ~~administered by the joint commission on national dental~~  
2 ~~examinations of the American Dental Association and who~~  
3 ~~passes any clinical board accepted~~ a written, clinical and  
4 state examination as determined by rule of the board may  
5 apply to the board to have the person's qualifications  
6 considered for licensure to practice dental hygiene.  
7 ~~Applicants shall be required to pass a written examination~~  
8 ~~satisfactory to the board.~~

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10 (c) If the applicant successfully completes the  
11 requirements for licensure, the applicant shall be licensed  
12 as a dental hygienist. If the expanded duties applicant has  
13 successfully met the requirements for expanded duties, the  
14 applicant shall be certified in those expanded duties. The  
15 certificate issued by the board shall list the expanded  
16 duties which the hygienist is qualified and permitted to  
17 perform. On or before December 31 ~~each~~ of every second  
18 year, each dental hygienist licensed to practice dental  
19 hygiene and wishing to continue in the practice of dental  
20 hygiene shall submit a license renewal application with the  
21 applicable renewal fee. The renewal certificate shall be  
22 made available to the supervising dentist. Any license  
23 granted by the board shall ~~be cancelled after ten (10) days~~

1 ~~notice by registered mail~~ expire if the holder fails to  
2 secure the renewal certificate within three (3) months  
3 after ~~December 31 each year~~ the date that the license  
4 renewal application is required to be submitted. Any  
5 license ~~cancelled~~ that has expired may be restored by the  
6 board upon payment of a fee set by the board, if paid by  
7 December 31 of the year the license ~~was cancelled~~ expired.

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9       **Section 2.** The provisions of this act shall apply to  
10 the 2021-2022 application cycle for the board of dental  
11 examiners.

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13       **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2021.

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