

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed
Vote: 8 - 2 - 0
Yeas: Cowan, Gilliam, Krieger, Matthews, Riley, Tomei, Weidner, Holvey
Nays: Barton, Wingard
Exc.: 0
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Meeting Dates: 3/4, 3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Requires dental technicians to provide dentists and patients with location where oral prostheses were manufactured upon request.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Potentially hazardous substances contained in dental prostheses
- Concerns regarding quality control in country of origin
- Possible certification of dental laboratories
- Federal vs. state regulation

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Substitutes “location” for “country” where oral prosthetic devices were manufactured.

BACKGROUND: While many consumer products require disclosure of country of origin, there is no such requirement for dental implants. Concerns regarding quality control issues, including the potential inclusion of toxic substances, led to the introduction of HB 2658-A, which requires producers of dental prostheses to disclose the location of manufacture when asked by dentists or their patients.