

# Senate Bill 889

Sponsored by Senators HASS, BATES; Senator DINGFELDER

## SUMMARY

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Exempts employees of crematoriums or funeral homes who remove teeth containing amalgam restorations from deceased persons from requirement to have valid license to practice dentistry.

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

1  
2 Relating to amalgam restorations; amending ORS 679.025.

3 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 679.025 is amended to read:

5 679.025. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person not otherwise authorized by law to practice  
6 dentistry or purport to be a dentist without a valid license to practice dentistry issued by the  
7 Oregon Board of Dentistry.

8 (2) The requirements of this section shall not apply to:

9 (a) Dentists licensed in another state making a clinical presentation sponsored by a bona fide  
10 dental society or association or an accredited dental educational institution approved by the board.

11 (b) Bona fide full-time students of dentistry who, during the period of their enrollment and as a  
12 part of the course of study in an Oregon accredited dental education program, engage in clinical  
13 studies on the premises of such institution or in a clinical setting located off the premises of the  
14 institution if the facility, the instructional staff and the course of study to be pursued at the off-  
15 premises location meet minimum requirements prescribed by the rules of the board and the clinical  
16 study is performed under the direct supervision of a member of the faculty.

17 (c) Bona fide full-time students of dentistry who, during the period of their enrollment and as a  
18 part of the course of study in a dental education program located outside of Oregon that is accred-  
19 ited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association or its successor  
20 agency, engage in community-based or clinical studies as an elective or required rotation in a clin-  
21 ical setting located in Oregon if the community-based or clinical studies meet minimum requirements  
22 prescribed by the rules of the board and are performed under the direct supervision of a member  
23 of the faculty of the Oregon Health and Science University School of Dentistry.

24 (d) Candidates who are preparing for a licensure examination to practice dentistry and whose  
25 application has been accepted by the board or its agent, if such clinical preparation is conducted in  
26 a clinic located on premises approved for that purpose by the board and if the procedures are lim-  
27 ited to examination only. This exception shall exist for a period not to exceed two weeks imme-  
28 diately prior to a regularly scheduled licensure examination.

29 (e) Dentists practicing in the discharge of official duties as employees of the United States  
30 Government and any of its agencies.

31 (f) Instructors of dentistry, whether full- or part-time, while exclusively engaged in teaching ac-

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 tivities and while employed in accredited dental educational institutions.

2 (g) Dentists employed by public health agencies who are not engaged in the direct delivery of  
3 clinical dental services to patients.

4 (h) Persons licensed to practice medicine in the State of Oregon in the regular discharge of their  
5 duties.

6 (i) Persons qualified to perform services relating to general anesthesia or sedation under the  
7 direct supervision of a licensed dentist.

8 (j) Persons practicing dentistry upon themselves as the patient.

9 (k) Dental hygienists, dental assistants or dental technicians performing services under the  
10 supervision of a licensed dentist in accordance with the rules adopted by the board.

11 (L) A person licensed as a denturist under ORS 680.500 to 680.570 engaged in the practice of  
12 denture technology.

13 (m) A limited access permit dental hygienist who renders services authorized by a limited access  
14 permit issued by the board pursuant to ORS 680.200.

15 **(n) Employees of crematoriums or funeral homes who remove teeth containing amalgam**  
16 **restorations from deceased persons prior to the cremation or burial of the deceased persons.**

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