

**A-Engrossed**  
**House Bill 2948**

Ordered by the House March 20  
Including House Amendments dated March 20

Sponsored by Representative CLEM (at the request of Oregon Dental Association)

**SUMMARY**

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Authorizes dentists licensed in other countries to participate in educational activities related to dentistry that occur in this state. Authorizes dentists licensed in other countries to practice dentistry in this state without compensation for limited duration. [*Authorizes dentists licensed in other countries to be granted staff privileges at hospital located in this state upon written request by authorized officer of hospital.*]

**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

Relating to dentists licensed in other countries; amending ORS 679.025 and 679.050.

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

**SECTION 1.** ORS 679.025, as amended by section 1, chapter 80, Oregon Laws 2012, is amended to read:

679.025. (1) A person may not practice dentistry or purport to be a dentist without a valid license to practice dentistry issued by the Oregon Board of Dentistry.

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

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

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

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

(d) Candidates who are preparing for a licensure examination to practice dentistry and whose application has been accepted by the board or its agent, if such clinical preparation is conducted in

**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 a clinic located on premises approved for that purpose by the board and if the procedures are lim-  
2 ited to examination only. This exception shall exist for a period not to exceed two weeks imme-  
3 diately prior to a regularly scheduled licensure examination.

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

6 (f) Instructors of dentistry, whether full- or part-time, while exclusively engaged in teaching ac-  
7 tivities and while employed in accredited dental educational institutions.

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

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

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

14 (j) Dentists licensed in another state **or country** and in good standing, while practicing  
15 dentistry without compensation for no more than five consecutive days in any 12-month period,  
16 provided the dentist submits an application to the board at least 10 days before practicing dentistry  
17 under this paragraph and the application is approved by the board.

18 (k) Persons practicing dentistry upon themselves as the patient.

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

21 (m) A person licensed as a denturist under ORS 680.500 to 680.565 engaged in the practice of  
22 denture technology.

23 (n) An expanded practice dental hygienist who renders services authorized by a permit issued  
24 by the board pursuant to ORS 680.200.

25 **SECTION 2.** ORS 679.050 is amended to read:

26 679.050. (1) If a reputable and duly licensed practitioner in dentistry of another state **or country**  
27 is asked to appear and demonstrate, receive or give instruction in the practice of dentistry before  
28 any qualified dental college or dental organization or dental study group recognized by the Oregon  
29 Board of Dentistry, the secretary of the board shall issue on written request of an authorized officer  
30 of such college or dental organization or dental study group, without fee, a permit for such purpose.  
31 A permit shall be issued upon such terms as the board shall prescribe.

32 (2) If a reputable and duly licensed practitioner in dentistry of another state has been granted  
33 staff privileges, either limited, special or general, by any duly licensed hospital in this state, the  
34 secretary of the board shall issue on written request and verification of an authorized officer of such  
35 hospital, a permit for such nonresident practitioner to practice dentistry in said hospital.

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