

Senate Bill 548

Sponsored by Senator ROBLAN (at the request of Oregon Health and Science University)

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 **as introduced**.

Modifies circumstances in which person issued dental instructor's or dental hygiene instructor's license may practice dentistry.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

1
2 Relating to dental instructors; amending ORS 679.115 and 680.082; and declaring an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** ORS 679.115 is amended to read:

5 679.115. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the Oregon Board of Dentistry
6 shall issue a dental instructor's license to practice dentistry to any person who furnishes the board
7 with evidence satisfactory to the board that the applicant meets the requirements of subsection (2)
8 of this section.

9 (2) An applicant for a dental instructor's license must be a full-time instructor of dentistry en-
10 gaged in dental activities, including but not limited to participation in a faculty practice plan, within
11 the scope of the applicant's employment at [*the*] Oregon Health and Science University and:

12 (a) Be a graduate of an accredited dental school; or

13 (b) If the applicant is not a graduate of an accredited dental school, have a certificate or degree
14 in an accredited, advanced dental education program of at least two years' duration from an ac-
15 credited dental school and:

16 (A) Be licensed to practice dentistry in another state or a Canadian province;

17 (B) Have held an instructor's or faculty license to practice dentistry in another state or a
18 Canadian province immediately prior to becoming an instructor of dentistry at [*the*] Oregon Health
19 and Science University;

20 (C) Have successfully passed any clinical examination recognized by the board for initial
21 licensure; or

22 (D) Be certified by the appropriate national certifying examination body in a dental specialty
23 recognized by the American Dental Association.

24 (3) The board may refuse to issue or renew a dental instructor's license to an applicant or
25 licensee:

26 (a) Who has been convicted of an offense or disciplined by a dental licensing body in a manner
27 that bears, in the judgment of the board, a demonstrable relationship to the ability of the applicant
28 or licensee to practice dentistry in accordance with the provisions of this chapter;

29 (b) Who has falsified an application for licensure; or

30 (c) For cause as described under ORS 679.140 or 679.170.

31 (4) [*A license issued to an applicant qualifying for a dental instructor's license is restricted to the*

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 *practice of dentistry in a facility devoted to dental care on the campus of the Oregon Health and Sci-*
 2 *ence University.] A person issued a dental instructor’s license is restricted to the practice of*
 3 **dentistry for or on behalf of Oregon Health and Science University.**

4 (5) A license issued to an applicant qualifying for a dental instructor’s license who is a specialist
 5 by virtue of successful completion of an accredited dental education program is restricted to the
 6 specialty in which the dentist was trained.

7 (6) As used in this section, “accredited” means accredited by the Commission on Dental Ac-
 8 creditation of the American Dental Association or its successor agency, if any.

9 **SECTION 2.** ORS 680.082 is amended to read:

10 680.082. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of ORS 680.010 to 680.205, the Oregon Board
 11 of Dentistry shall issue a dental hygiene instructor’s license to any person who:

12 (a) Is or will be a full-time instructor of dental hygiene engaged in the practice of dental hy-
 13 giene, including but not limited to participation in a faculty practice plan within the scope of the
 14 applicant’s employment at [*the*] Oregon Health and Science University;

15 (b) Is a graduate of a dental hygiene program accredited by the Commission on Dental Accred-
 16 itation of the American Dental Association or its successor agency, if any; and

17 (c) Is licensed to practice dental hygiene in another state or a Canadian province.

18 (2) The board shall by rule establish standards, procedures and fees for the issuance, suspension,
 19 revocation and renewal of a dental hygiene instructor’s license.

20 (3) The board may refuse to issue or renew a dental hygiene instructor’s license to an applicant
 21 or licensee:

22 (a) Who has been convicted of an offense or disciplined by a dental licensing body in a manner
 23 that bears, in the judgment of the board, a demonstrable relationship to the ability of the applicant
 24 or licensee to practice dental hygiene in accordance with the provisions of ORS 680.010 to 680.205;

25 (b) Who has falsified an application for licensure; or

26 (c) For cause as described under ORS 679.140 or 679.170.

27 (4) [*An applicant who receives*] **A person issued** a dental hygiene instructor’s license is re-
 28 stricted to the practice of dental hygiene [*in a facility devoted to dental care on the campus of the*
 29 *Oregon Health and Science University*] **for or on behalf of Oregon Health and Science**
 30 **University.**

31 (5) An applicant who receives a dental hygiene instructor’s license is subject to the professional
 32 ethics, standards and discipline of ORS 680.010 to 680.205.

33 **SECTION 3. This 2013 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public**
 34 **peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2013 Act takes effect**
 35 **on its passage.**