

## SENATE AMENDMENTS TO A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 3223

By COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

June 20

1 On page 1 of the printed A-engrossed bill, delete lines 4 through 27 and delete page 2 and insert:

2 **“SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2023 Act is added to and made a part of ORS chapter 679.**

3 **“SECTION 2. (1) In adopting rules related to the requirements for certification as a**  
4 **dental assistant, including any type of expanded function dental assistant, the Oregon Board**  
5 **of Dentistry may require an applicant for certification to pass a written examination. If**  
6 **passage of a written examination is required for certification as a dental assistant, including**  
7 **any type of expanded function dental assistant, the board may accept the results of any ex-**  
8 **amination that is:**

9 **“(a)(A) Administered by a dental education program in this state that is accredited by**  
10 **the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the American Dental Association, or its succes-**  
11 **sor organization, and approved by the board by rule;**

12 **“(B) Administered by a dental education program in this state that is approved by the**  
13 **Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition of the American Dental Associ-**  
14 **ation, or its successor organization, and approved by the board by rule; or**

15 **“(C) An examination comparable to an examination described in subparagraph (A) or (B)**  
16 **of this paragraph that is administered by a testing agency approved by the board by rule; and**

17 **“(b) Offered in plain language in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.**

18 **“(2) The board may not require an applicant for certification as a dental assistant, in-**  
19 **cluding any type of expanded function dental assistant, to complete more than one written**  
20 **examination for certification as that type of dental assistant.**

21 **“SECTION 3. Section 2 of this 2023 Act applies to applications for certification as a dental**  
22 **assistant, including any type of expanded function dental assistant, submitted on or after the**  
23 **operative date specified in section 4 of this 2023 Act.**

24 **“SECTION 4. (1) Section 2 of this 2023 Act becomes operative on July 1, 2025.**

25 **“(2) The Oregon Board of Dentistry may take any action before the operative date spec-**  
26 **ified in subsection (1) of this section that is necessary to enable the board to exercise, on**  
27 **and after the operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties,**  
28 **functions and powers conferred on the board by section 2 of this 2023 Act.**

29 **“SECTION 5. (1) The Oregon Board of Dentistry shall convene an advisory committee of**  
30 **at least seven members to study the dental assistant workforce shortage and to review the**  
31 **requirements for dental assistant certification in other states. The committee shall provide**  
32 **advice to the board on a quarterly basis on how to address the dental assistant workforce**  
33 **shortage in this state.**

34 **“(2)(a) In appointing members to the advisory committee, the board shall prioritize di-**  
35 **versity of geographic representation, background, culture and experience.**

1           “(b) A majority of the members appointed to the committee must have experience  
2 working as dental assistants.

3           “SECTION 6. This 2023 Act takes effect on the 91st day after the date on which the 2023  
4 regular session of the Eighty-second Legislative Assembly adjourns sine die.”.

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