

Requested by Representative CRAMER

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
A-ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL 3223**

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

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

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

12 **“(a)(A) Administered by a dental education program in this state
13 that is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation of the
14 American Dental Association, or its successor organization, and ap-
15 proved by the board by rule; or**

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

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

20 **“(2) The board may not require an applicant for certification as a
21 dental assistant, including any type of expanded function dental as-**

1 sistant, to complete more than one written examination for certifica-
2 tion as that type of dental assistant.

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

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

9 **“(2)** The Oregon Board of Dentistry may take any action before the
10 operative date specified in subsection (1) of this section that is neces-
11 sary to enable the board to exercise, on and after the operative date
12 specified in subsection (1) of this section, all of the duties, functions
13 and powers conferred on the board by section 2 of this 2023 Act.

14 **“SECTION 5.** (1) The Oregon Board of Dentistry shall convene an
15 advisory committee of at least seven members to study the dental as-
16 sistant workforce shortage and to review the requirements for dental
17 assistant certification in other states. The committee shall provide
18 advice to the board on a quarterly basis on how to address the dental
19 assistant workforce shortage in this state.

20 **“(2)(a)** In appointing members to the advisory committee, the board
21 shall prioritize diversity of geographic representation, background,
22 culture and experience.

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

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