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STATE GOVERNMENT

SENATE FILE 2022

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act eliminating an examination requirement as a prerequisite
2 for designation as a registered dental assistant.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 153.39, subsection 2, Code 2003, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. A person shall be registered upon the successful
4 completion of education ~~and-examination~~ requirements, and
5 certification by the person's supervising dentist that the
6 candidate is competent to act as a dental assistant.

7 Education requirements shall be determined by the board by
8 rule, and may be satisfied either through a formal series of
9 classes or through job equivalency training, according to
10 standards to be determined by the board. The education
11 requirements may include possession of a valid certificate in
12 a nationally recognized course in cardiopulmonary
13 resuscitation. ~~Successful-passage-of-an-examination~~
14 ~~administered-by-the-board, which shall include sections~~
15 Standards for certification that the candidate is competent
16 shall be determined by the board by rule, and may include
17 areas regarding infection control, hazardous materials, and
18 ~~jurisprudence, shall also be required.~~ The board shall
19 establish continuing education requirements as a condition of
20 renewing registration as a registered dental assistant, as
21 well as standards for the suspension or revocation of
22 registration.

23 EXPLANATION

24 This bill provides for the elimination of an examination
25 requirement as a prerequisite for being designated a
26 registered dental assistant. The bill provides that in lieu
27 of the examination requirement, a candidate for registration
28 shall obtain a certification of competency from the
29 supervising dentist. The bill provides that standards for
30 certification that the candidate is competent shall be
31 determined by the board by rule, and may include areas
32 regarding infection control, hazardous materials, and
33 jurisprudence.

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