

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

March 27, 2025  
Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB25-194 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on Appropriations with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 3, strike "(10.5)" and substitute "(5.2),  
2 (10.5),".
- 3 Page 3, line 12, strike "COMMISSION OR THE BOARD." and substitute  
4 "COMMISSION."
- 5 Page 3, after line 18 insert:  
6 "(5.2) "DENTAL HYGIENE LABORATORY WORK ORDER" MEANS THE  
7 DOCUMENTED ORDER OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST LICENSED IN THIS STATE  
8 AUTHORIZING ANOTHER PERSON TO CONSTRUCT, REPRODUCE, OR REPAIR  
9 AN ORAL MEDICAMENT CARRIER."
- 10 Page 3, strike line 20.
- 11 Page 4, strike line 1 and substitute "order" means the ~~written instructions~~  
12 DOCUMENTED ORDER of a dentist".
- 13 Page 4, strike lines 5 through 8 and substitute "regions."
- 14 Page 4, strike lines 15 through 18 and substitute "AN ACTIVE LICENSE IN  
15 GOOD STANDING IN THIS STATE OR IN A CONTIGUOUS STATE."
- 16 Page 5, strike lines 20 through 27.
- 17 Strike page 6.
- 18 Page 7, strike lines 1 through 5 and substitute "(1)(b)(II)(A) and (5) as  
19 follows:

1           **"12-220-105. Colorado dental board - qualifications of board**  
2 **members - quorum - panel - rules - review of functions - repeal of**  
3 **article - repeal.** (1) (b) (II) (A) Effective July 1, 2031, the board consists  
4 of seven dentist members, ~~two~~ ONE dental therapist ~~members,~~ ~~two~~  
5 MEMBER, THREE dental hygienist members, and two members from the  
6 public at large; EXCEPT THAT THE DENTAL THERAPIST SEAT SHALL REMAIN  
7 OPEN AND A DENTAL THERAPIST MEMBER SHALL NOT BE APPOINTED UNTIL  
8 THERE ARE AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED DENTAL THERAPISTS ACTIVELY  
9 ENGAGED IN CLINICAL PRACTICE IN THIS STATE. The governor shall  
10 appoint each member for a term of four years, and each member must  
11 have the qualifications provided in this article 220. A member shall not  
12 serve more than two consecutive terms of four years. Each board member  
13 holds office until the member's term expires or until the governor  
14 appoints a successor."

15 Page 9, lines 8 and 9, strike "12-220-503 OR 12-220-508 (2);" and  
16 substitute "12-220-503 (1)(g)(V) OR 12-220-508 (1)(b), (1)(c)(VII), OR  
17 (2);".

18 Page 13, line 13, after "(1)(c)," insert "(1)(d),".

19 Page 14, after line 8 insert:

20           "(d) Furnishes, supplies, constructs, reproduces, or repairs ~~any~~ A  
21 prosthetic denture, bridge, appliance, or other structure to be worn in the  
22 human mouth or upon the jaws, maxillofacial area, or adjacent and  
23 associated structures other than on the ~~written~~ DENTAL laboratory work  
24 order of a duly licensed and practicing dentist;"

25 Page 16, line 9, after "(t)" insert "(I)".

26 Page 16, strike lines 11 through 15 and substitute "DENTAL BOARD,  
27 ORDERS AND ADMINISTERS IMMUNIZATIONS TO PATIENTS SIX YEARS OF  
28 AGE OR OLDER. THE COLORADO DENTAL BOARD SHALL ADOPT RULES".

29 Page 16, after line 17 insert:

30           "(II) DENTISTS AND DENTAL HYGIENISTS:

31           (A) ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS FOR  
32 ANY REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;

33           (B) SHALL ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
34 INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
35 CREATED PURSUANT TO PART 24 OF ARTICLE 4 OF TITLE 25; AND

36           (C) WHO ADMINISTER IMMUNIZATIONS SHALL DISCLOSE THEIR  
37 MEDICAL TRAINING RELATED TO PEDIATRIC ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING

1 THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO  
2 PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT PROCESS."

3 Page 18, line 22, after "renew" insert "OR REINSTATE".

4 Page 21, after line 9 insert:

5 "SECTION 15. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-405,  
6 amend (1)(a) introductory portion as follows:

7 **12-220-405. Application for dental hygienist license - fee.**

8 (1) Every person who desires to qualify for practice as a dental hygienist  
9 within this state must file with the board:

10 (a) ~~A written~~ AN application for a license, IN A FORMAT APPROVED  
11 BY THE BOARD, on which application the applicant shall list:"

12 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

13 Page 24, after line 3 insert:

14 "SECTION 21. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-220-411,  
15 amend (1) and (5)(a) as follows:

16 **12-220-411. Anesthesia and sedation permits - dentists, dental**  
17 **therapists, and dental hygienists - training and experience**  
18 **requirements - office inspections - rules.** (1) (a) Upon application in a  
19 form and manner determined by the board and payment of the applicable  
20 fees established by the board, the board may issue an anesthesia or  
21 sedation permit to a licensed dentist or a local anesthesia permit to a  
22 dental therapist or dental hygienist in accordance with this section.

23 (b) THE BOARD SHALL DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT AN EXPEDITED  
24 APPLICATION AND PERMITTING PROCESS FOR A DENTIST WHO HAS  
25 COMPLETED AN ACCREDITED RESIDENCY PROGRAM IN GENERAL  
26 ANESTHESIA OR A POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES  
27 COMPREHENSIVE AND APPROPRIATE TRAINING NECESSARY TO ADMINISTER  
28 AND MANAGE MODERATE SEDATION OR DEEP SEDATION AND GENERAL  
29 ANESTHESIA ACCORDING TO INDUSTRY-ACCEPTED STANDARDS.

30 (5) The board shall establish, by rule, criteria and procedures for  
31 an office inspection program to be completed upon application and  
32 renewal of anesthesia or sedation permits, which must include:

33 (a) Designation of qualified ANESTHESIA inspectors who ~~are~~  
34 ~~experts in dental outpatient deep sedation/general anesthesia and~~  
35 ~~moderate sedation;~~ HAVE MORE THAN FIVE YEARS OF EXPERIENCE  
36 PROVIDING ANESTHESIA SERVICES AND HOLD AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA  
37 PERMIT TO PROVIDE EITHER DENTAL OUTPATIENT DEEP  
38 SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA OR MODERATE SEDATION. AN  
39 ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO

1 PROVIDE MODERATE SEDATION MAY ONLY PROVIDE OFFICE ANESTHESIA  
2 INSPECTIONS FOR PROVIDERS WHO REQUEST MODERATE SEDATION  
3 PRIVILEGES FOR BOTH INITIAL AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN  
4 ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR WHO HOLDS AN ACTIVE ANESTHESIA PERMIT TO  
5 PROVIDE DEEP SEDATION/GENERAL ANESTHESIA MAY PROVIDE OFFICE  
6 ANESTHESIA INSPECTIONS FOR ANY LEVEL OF SEDATION FOR BOTH INITIAL  
7 AND RENEWAL PERMIT APPLICATIONS. AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR SHALL  
8 COMPLETE AN ANESTHESIA INSPECTOR CALIBRATION PROGRAM CREATED  
9 AND UPDATED BY THE BOARD ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS. THE ANESTHESIA  
10 INSPECTOR RECERTIFICATION MAY BE COMPLETED IN CONJUNCTION WITH  
11 AN ANESTHESIA PERMIT RENEWAL."

12 Renumber succeeding sections accordingly.

13 Page 24, line 12, after "(3)(a)(VI)," insert "(3)(b) introductory portion,".

14 Page 25, line 15, strike "dentist:" and substitute "dentist OR THE DIRECT  
15 SUPERVISION OF A LICENSED DENTAL THERAPIST OR A LICENSED DENTAL  
16 HYGIENIST:".

17 Page 27, line 15, before "and" insert "(1)(g)(V),".

18 Page 28, line 9, strike "CONCERN;" and substitute "CONCERN PERTINENT  
19 TO THE SCOPE OF PRACTICE FOR DENTAL HYGIENE;".

20 Page 29, lines 24 and 25, strike "AND OTHER SILVER FLUORIDES." and  
21 substitute "OTHER SILVER FLUORIDES, HYDROXYAPATITE REGENERATION  
22 MEDICAMENTS USED FOR REPAIRING CAVITIES, AND ALTERNATIVES FOR  
23 STRENGTHENING TEETH AND PREVENTING AND ARRESTING TOOTH  
24 DECAY.".

25 Page 30, line 10, strike "and" and substitute "and".

26 Page 30, after line 17 insert:

27 "(V) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PRESCRIBE, DISPENSE, AND  
28 ADMINISTER NONNARCOTIC ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND  
29 ANTIBIOTICS WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF A WRITTEN ARTICULATED PLAN,  
30 WITH THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SUPERVISING DENTIST, AND UPON  
31 COMPLETION OF A POSTSECONDARY COURSE OR CONTINUING EDUCATION  
32 COURSE DEVELOPED AT THE POSTSECONDARY LEVEL THAT SATISFIES THE  
33 REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD AND THAT PROVIDES  
34 INSTRUCTION ON THE USE AND LIMITATIONS OF NONNARCOTIC  
35 ANALGESICS, ANTI-INFLAMMATORIES, AND ANTIBIOTICS."

- 1 Page 32, strike lines 8 and 9.
- 2 Page 32, after line 10 insert:  
3 "(f) PLACING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS PURSUANT TO  
4 SECTION 12-220-505; AND".
- 5 Reletter succeeding paragraphs accordingly.
- 6 Page 32, line 17, strike "(c)" and substitute "(i) (I)".
- 7 Page 32, line 23, strike "OLDER OR TO DENTAL PATIENTS OF" and  
8 substitute "OLDER".
- 9 Page 32, strike lines 24 and 25 and substitute:  
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12 ANY REQUIRED IMMUNIZATIONS;  
13 (B) SHALL ENTER ALL IMMUNIZATION-RELATED ADMINISTRATION  
14 INFORMATION INTO THE COLORADO IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION SYSTEM  
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18 THE ABILITY TO MANAGE SIDE EFFECTS OR ADVERSE OUTCOMES, TO  
19 PATIENTS AS PART OF THE PATIENT CONSENT PROCESS."
- 20 Page 34, line 18, strike "COMMUNICATIONS" and substitute  
21 "COMMUNICATION".
- 22 Page 35, line 2, after "portion," insert "(1)(a)(VIII)".
- 23 Page 35, after line 7 insert:  
24 "(VIII) Repair ~~defective~~ prosthetic devices."

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