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ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0177

ENROLLED ACT NO. 96, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SIXTIETH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2009 GENERAL SESSION

AN ACT relating to the board of dental examiners; providing for compensation for travel time; providing for signing of vouchers by a designee; specifying examinations required of dentists; repealing limitation on timing of application after failure of an examination; providing grace period for renewal of dental licenses; providing for passage of an examination for dental hygienist licensees; providing applicability; and providing for an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

Section 1. W.S. 33-15-104, 33-15-105(a), 33-15-108(a) and (h), 33-15-109(a) and 33-15-120(a) are amended to read:

33-15-104. Board of dental examiners; indebtedness; compensation.

The board shall not create any indebtedness on behalf of the state of Wyoming, except as provided in this section. Out of the funds assessed by the board, each of the members of the board shall receive compensation for each day or part of a day in which they are engaged in performance of their official duties, including necessary travel, at the same rate as state legislators and shall be reimbursed for actual and necessary expenses, and mileage incurred in the performance of their official duties. The secretary of the board shall receive compensation for his services.

33-15-105. Disposition of monies received and collected under provisions of chapter; report.

(a) All monies shall be received and collected as provided by law. The state treasurer shall place the money in a separate account, which shall only be paid out upon an authorized voucher duly verified by the board president and ORIGINAL HOUSE BILL NO. 0177

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signed by the president and <u>either the</u> secretary of the board, <u>or his designee</u>, showing that the expenditure is a necessary expense and has been actually and properly incurred by the board. Upon presentation of the voucher, the auditor shall draw the warrant upon the treasurer but no warrant shall be drawn unless and until there are sufficient monies in the account to pay same and the expenses of the board shall not be charged upon any other state fund or account. Any money on hand at the dissolution of the board or the repeal of this act shall be paid to the credit of the common school permanent land fund account.

33-15-108. Licensing; qualifications; examinations; fees.

(a) Any person of good moral character, who has graduated and attained the degree of doctor of dental surgery or doctor of dental medicine from a college or university in the United States or Canada accredited by the commission on dental accreditation of the American Dental Association, may apply to the board to have the applicant's qualifications considered for licensure to practice dentistry. The applicant shall pass a written and practical examination in a manner satisfactory to the board. The written examination shall consist of part I and part II of the national board of dental examinations administered by the joint commission on national dental examinations of the American Dental Association and an examination on the Wyoming Dental Practice Act and the rules and regulations of the board of dental examiners. The clinical practical examination shall be based on satisfactory completion of a clinical examination acceptable to the board.

(h) The board may make and prescribe rules and regulations for the licensure and practice of dentistry in

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the state of Wyoming, not inconsistent with this act. For purposes of this subsection, "practice of dentistry" includes the work of dental hygienists, dental auxiliaries, dental technicians and dental laboratories.

33-15-109. Renewal license certificate.

(a) On or before December 31 each year, each dentist licensed to practice dentistry in this state and wishing to continue in the practice of dentistry shall submit a license renewal application with the applicable renewal fee. Any license granted by the board shall be cancelled after ten (10) days notice by registered mail if the holder fails to secure the renewal certificate within three (3) months after December 31 each year.

33-15-120. Dental hygienists; qualifications; examination; fees and license.

Any person of good moral character who is a (a) graduate of a dental hygiene program accredited by the commission on dental accreditation of the American Dental has completed passed Association, who in а manner satisfactory to the board the dental hygiene national board examination administered by the joint commission on examinations national dental of the American Dental Association and who has completed passes any clinical board accepted by the board may apply to the board to have the person's qualifications considered for licensure to practice dental hygiene. Applicants shall be required to pass a written examination satisfactory to the board.

Section 2. W.S. 33-15-108(d) is repealed.

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Section 3. W.S. 33-15-109(a) as amended by this act shall apply to license renewal applications due on or before December 31, 2008.

Section 4. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED:

I hereby certify that this act originated in the House.

Chief Clerk