

SENATE BILL NO. 133—SENATORS SHAFFER, COFFIN, TITUS,
CARLTON AND NEAL

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Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor

SUMMARY—Authorizes board of dental examiners to issue limited number of licenses without examination each year to dentists licensed in other jurisdictions. (BDR 54-241)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to dentistry; authorizing the board of dental examiners of Nevada to issue a limited number of licenses each year to dentists licensed in other jurisdictions; authorizing the establishment of the fee for an application to practice dentistry without examination; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** Chapter 631 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto a
2 new section to read as follows:
3 1. *Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the board may,*
4 *without examination, issue a license to practice dentistry to a person*
5 *who:*
6 (a) *Holds a license to practice dentistry in another state, a territory or*
7 *possession of the United States, or the District of Columbia whose*
8 *requirements for licensing at the time the license was issued are deemed*
9 *by the board to be substantially equivalent to the requirements for a*
10 *license to practice dentistry set forth in this chapter;*
11 (b) *Pays the fee prescribed by NRS 631.345; and*
12 (c) *Submits the statement required by NRS 631.225.*
13 2. *The board shall not issue a license pursuant to this section to:*
14 (a) *More than 20 persons each year;*
15 (b) *An applicant who has been refused a license in this state, another*
16 *state, a possession or territory of the United States, or the District of*
17 *Columbia; or*
18 (c) *An applicant whose license to practice dentistry has been revoked*
19 *in this state, another state, a possession or territory of the United States,*
20 *or the District of Columbia.*



1 **3. The board shall adopt regulations that prescribe the procedure for**
2 **the allocation of licenses issued pursuant to this section.**

3 **Sec. 2.** NRS 631.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 631.240 ***Except as otherwise provided in section 1 of this act:***

5 1. ~~{Any person desiring to obtain}~~ ***Each applicant for*** a license to
6 practice dentistry in this state, after having complied with the regulations of
7 the board to determine eligibility, must:

8 (a) Present to the board a certificate granted by the ~~{National Board of~~
9 ~~Dental Examiners}~~ ***Joint Commission on National Dental Examinations***
10 which contains a notation that he has passed the ~~{board's examination}~~
11 ***National Board Dental Examination*** with an average score of at least 75;
12 and

13 (b) Be examined by the board on his practical knowledge of dentistry.

14 2. The board shall examine each applicant in writing on the contents
15 and interpretation of chapter 631 of NRS and the regulations of the board.

16 3. Except as otherwise provided in NRS 631.271, the examination
17 required by paragraph (b) of subsection 1 must include clinical
18 demonstrations of the applicant's skill in dentistry.

19 4. All persons who present the appropriate certificate and successfully
20 complete the examination must be registered as licensed dentists on the
21 board register, as provided in this chapter, and are entitled to receive a
22 certificate of registration, signed by the member of the board who is a
23 representative of the general public and those members of the board who
24 are dentists.

25 **Sec. 3.** NRS 631.300 is hereby amended to read as follows:

26 631.300 1. Any person desiring to obtain a license to practice dental
27 hygiene, after having complied with the regulations of the board to
28 determine eligibility, must be examined by the board upon such subjects as
29 the board deems necessary, and, except as otherwise provided in NRS
30 631.271, be given a practical examination in dental hygiene, including, but
31 not limited to, the removal of deposits from, and the polishing of, the
32 exposed surface of the teeth.

33 2. The examination must be:

34 (a) Written, oral or a combination of both; and

35 (b) Practical, as in the opinion of the board is necessary to test the
36 qualifications of the applicant.

37 3. The board shall examine each applicant in writing on the contents
38 and interpretation of chapter 631 of NRS and the regulations of the board.

39 4. In lieu of the written examination which may be required by
40 subsection 2, the board shall recognize a certificate from the ~~{National~~
41 ~~Board of Dental Examiners}~~ ***Joint Commission on National Dental***
42 ***Examinations*** which contains a notation that the applicant has passed the
43 ~~{examination of the board}~~ ***National Board Dental Examination*** with a
44 score of at least 75.

45 **Sec. 4.** NRS 631.345 is hereby amended to read as follows:

46 631.345 1. The board shall by regulation establish fees for the
47 performance of the duties imposed upon it by this chapter which must not
48 exceed the following amounts:



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1	Examination fee for a license to practice dentistry.....	\$750
2	Examination fee for a license to practice dental hygiene	150
3	Application fee for a specialist license.....	125
4	Application fee for a limited or restricted license	125
5	<i>Application fee for a license to practice dentistry without</i>	
6	<i>examination.....</i>	<i>150</i>
7	Application and examination fee for a permit to administer	
8	general anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation.....	500
9	Fee for any reinspection required by the board to maintain	
10	a permit to administer general anesthesia, conscious	
11	sedation or deep sedation	250
12	Annual renewal fee for a permit to administer general	
13	anesthesia, conscious sedation or deep sedation	100
14	Fee for the inspection of a facility required by the board to	
15	renew a permit to administer general anesthesia,	
16	conscious sedation or deep sedation.....	100
17	Annual license renewal fee for a general dentist or	
18	specialist.....	300
19	Annual license renewal fee for a dental hygienist.....	150
20	Annual license renewal fee for a limited license	100
21	Annual license renewal fee for an inactive dentist.....	100
22	Annual license renewal fee for a retired or disabled dentist.....	25
23	Annual license renewal fee for an inactive dental hygienist	25
24	Annual license renewal fee for a retired or disabled dental	
25	hygienist.....	25
26	Reinstatement fee for a suspended license to practice	
27	dentistry or dental hygiene	200
28	Reinstatement fee for a revoked license to practice	
29	dentistry or dental hygiene	500
30	Reinstatement fee to return an inactive, retired or disabled	
31	dentist or dental hygienist to active status.....	200
32	Fee for the certification of a license	50
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34	2. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, the board shall	
35	charge a fee to review a course of continuing education for accreditation.	
36	The fee must not exceed \$150 per credit hour of the proposed course. The	
37	board shall not charge a nonprofit organization or an agency of the state or	
38	of a political subdivision of the state a fee to review a course of continuing	
39	education.	
40	3. All fees prescribed in this section are payable in advance and must	
41	not be refunded.	
42	Sec. 5. Section 1 of this act is hereby amended to read as follows:	
43	Section 1. 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, the	
44	board may, without examination, issue a license to practice dentistry	
45	to a person who:	
46	(a) Holds a license to practice dentistry in another state, a territory	
47	or possession of the United States , or the District of Columbia whose	
48	requirements for licensing at the time the license was issued are	
49	deemed by the board to be substantially equivalent to the	



1 requirements for a license to practice dentistry set forth in this
2 chapter; *and*

3 (b) Pays the fee prescribed by NRS 631.345 . ~~† and~~
4 ~~† (c) Submits the statement required by NRS 631.225.†~~

5 2. The board shall not issue a license pursuant to this section to:

6 (a) More than 20 persons each year;

7 (b) An applicant who has been refused a license in this state,
8 another state, a possession or territory of the United States , or the
9 District of Columbia; or

10 (c) An applicant whose license to practice dentistry has been
11 revoked in this state, another state, a possession or territory of the
12 United States , or the District of Columbia.

13 3. The board shall adopt regulations that prescribe the procedure
14 for the allocation of licenses issued pursuant to this section.

15 **Sec. 6.** 1. This section and sections 1 to 4, inclusive, of this act
16 become effective on October 1, 2001.

17 2. Section 5 of this act becomes effective on the date on which the
18 provisions of 42 U.S.C. § 666 requiring each state to establish procedures
19 under which the state has authority to withhold or suspend, or to restrict the
20 use of professional, occupational and recreational licenses of persons who:

21 (a) Have failed to comply with a subpoena or warrant relating to a
22 procedure to determine the paternity of a child or to establish or enforce an
23 obligation for the support of a child; or

24 (b) Are in arrears in the payment for the support of one or more
25 children,
26 are repealed by the Congress of the United States.

