SENATE STATE OF MINNESOTA EIGHTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

S.F. No. 288

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5906	Senate conferees Howe; Pederson; Sieben		
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1.1 1.2 1.3	A bill for an act relating to health; regulating dental laboratories; appropriating money; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 150A.
1.4	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.5	Section 1. [150A.24] DEFINITIONS.
1.6	Subdivision 1. Scope. For the purposes of sections 150A.24 to 150A.30, the
1.7	following terms have the meaning given.
1.8	Subd. 2. Dental laboratory. "Dental laboratory" means a corporation, partnership,
1.9	or sole proprietor engaged in the manufacture or repair of dental prosthetic appliances.
1.10	This definition does not include a dental laboratory that is physically located within a
1.11	dental practice if the dental prosthetic appliances are manufactured or repaired for the
1.12	exclusive use of the dentist or dentists within the dental practice.
1.13	Subd. 3. Certified dental technician. "Certified dental technician" means a dental
1.14	technician who has met the standards set by the National Board for Certification in Dental
1.15	Laboratory Technology or its equivalent as established by the Board of Dentistry.
1.16	Subd. 4. Work order. "Work order" means a written instrument prescribed by a
1.17	dentist licensed under this chapter directing a registered dental laboratory to manufacture
1.18	or repair a dental prosthetic appliance for an individual patient.

Sec. 2. [150A.25] REGISTRATION FOR DENTAL LABORATORIES.

Subd. 5. Work authorization. "Work authorization" means a written instrument by

which a registered dental laboratory subcontracts to another registered dental laboratory

all or part of the manufacture or repair of a dental prosthetic appliance authorized by a

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work order by a dentist licensed under this chapter.

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2.1	Subdivision 1. General. Beginning April 1, 2012, no dental laboratory shall
2.2	manufacture or repair a dental prosthetic appliance pursuant to a work order prescribed
2.3	by a dentist licensed under this chapter or accept work from another dental laboratory
2.4	pursuant to a work authorization unless the dental laboratory is registered with the Board
2.5	of Dentistry.
2.6	Subd. 2. Registration requirements. (a) An application for an initial registration
2.7	and for renewal must be submitted to the board on a form provided by the board
2.8	accompanied with the registration fee required under section 150A.30. The application
2.9	must contain:
2.10	(1) the name(s) of the laboratory;
2.11	(2) the physical address of the laboratory;
2.12	(3) verification that the laboratory meets the infectious disease control requirements
2.13	under Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Centers for
2.14	Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) of the United States Public Health Service;
2.15	(4) verification that the laboratory meets one of the following:
2.16	(i) National Board for Certification in Dental Laboratory Technology (NBC)
2.17	certification;
2.18	(ii) ISO certification;
2.19	(iii) Dental Appliance Manufacturers Audit System (DAMAS) certification; or
2.20	(iv) the employment of at least one full-time certified dental technician (CDT) in
2.21	the laboratory; and
2.22	(5) any other relevant information deemed necessary by the board.
2.23	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), laboratories shall have until April 1, 2014, to
2.24	meet the requirement described in paragraph (a), clause (4).
2.25	Subd. 3. Unique registration number. Upon approval, the board shall issue a
2.26	registration and a unique registration number to the dental laboratory.
2.27	Subd. 4. Registration term; renewal. (a) Registration shall be valid for two years
2.28	from the date of issuance and may be renewed upon submitting the information required
2.29	in subdivision 2 and the registration renewal fee required in section 150A.30.
2.30	(b) At renewal, a registered dental laboratory must submit an affidavit to the board,
2.31	on a form prescribed by the board, that each dental technician employed by or under
2.32	contract with the laboratory has met the continuing education requirements specified
2.33	in section 150A.29.
2.34	Subd. 5. Inspections. (a) The board shall have the authority to inspect a registered
2.35	dental laboratory and to review any records necessary to ensure that the requirements
2.36	of sections 150A.24 to 150A.30 are met.

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3.1	(b) The board shall have the authority to enter the premises to make an inspection.
3.2	Refusal to permit an inspection constitutes valid grounds for registration denial or
3.3	revocation.
3.4	Sec. 3. [150A.26] WORK ORDER REQUIRED.
3.5	No registered dental laboratory shall perform any dental technological work for a
3.6	dentist licensed under this chapter without a valid work order from the licensed dentist.
3.7	A work order may be handwritten and may be faxed or sent electronically using an
3.8	electronic signature.
3.9	Sec. 4. [150A.27] MATERIAL CONTENT NOTICE.
3.10	(a) A registered dental laboratory shall inform the dentist who issued the work
3.11	order of:
3.12	(1) the country of origin where the technological work was performed in whole
3.13	or in part; and
3.14	(2) the name, physical address, and registration number of the laboratory or
3.15	laboratories authorized to manufacture or repair the dental prosthesis, either directly
3.16	or through a work authorization.
3.17	(b) A registered dental laboratory shall disclose to the dentist the complete material
3.18	content of the dental prosthetic appliance in a manner that can be easily entered into a
3.19	patient record. Upon receipt of the material content notice, the dentist must include the
3.20	information in the record of the patient for whom the prosthesis is intended.
3.21	(c) A registered dental laboratory must comply with section 150A.21.
3.22	(d) Dentists licensed under this chapter who manufacture or repair a dental prosthetic
3.23	appliance or by work order have a dental prosthetic appliance manufactured or repaired by
3.24	a dental technician within their dental practice for a patient must include in the patient's
3.25	record the material content information of the dental prosthetic appliance.
3.26	Sec. 5. [150A.28] PROHIBITION AGAINST THE USE OF A NONREGISTERED
3.27	DENTAL LABORATORY.
3.28	(a) A dentist licensed under this chapter must use a dental laboratory registered
3.29	under sections 150A.24 to 150A.30 for any dental laboratory work that is performed
3.30	outside of the office of a licensed dentist.
3.31	(b) No registered dental laboratory shall subcontract all or part of any dental
3.32	laboratory work that is prescribed by a work order to another dental laboratory unless the
3.33	laboratory is registered by the board in accordance with sections 150A.24 to 150A.30.

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4.1	Sec. 6. [150A.29] CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.
4.2	(a) A registered dental laboratory must maintain on file documentation certifying
4.3	that each dental technician employed by or under contract with the laboratory has
4.4	completed eight hours of continuing education biennially. The documentation for each
4.5	dental technician must include the date, location, sponsor, subject matter, and attendance
4.6	hours of each completed continuing education course as well as any receipts, vouchers,
4.7	or certificates as may be necessary to document completion of the continuing education
4.8	requirement. The documentation must be retained for each dental technician for at least
4.9	two registration renewal cycles.
4.10	(b) A continuing education course must contribute directly to the education of the
4.11	dental technician to improve dental health care delivery, and must address one or more of
4.12	the following areas of professional development:
4.13	(1) laboratory and technological subjects, including, but not limited to, laboratory
4.14	techniques, procedures, materials, and equipment; and
4.15	(2) oral health, infection control, and patient safety.
4.16	(c) The board shall develop criteria that must be met by a continuing education
4.17	course in order for the course to be approved.
4.18	Sec. 7. [150A.30] FEES.
4.19	(a) The fee for the initial registration and biennial registration renewal may not
4.20	exceed \$300.
4.21	(b) The fee specified in this section is nonrefundable and shall be deposited in the
4.22	state government special revenue fund.
4.23	Sec. 8. APPROPRIATIONS.
4.24	\$165,000 is appropriated for fiscal year 2012 and \$165,000 is appropriated for
4.25	fiscal year 2013 from the state government special revenue fund for the purpose of
4.26	implementing Minnesota Statutes, sections 150A.24 to 150A.30.
4.27	Sec. 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Sections 1 to 7 are effective April 1, 2012.

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