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As a former recipient of MDLARP and a current provider of Healthy Smiles patients I oppose SB 334, and at the same time advocate for full funding of the Dent-Care program. My concern is that if funding is split between part-time, limited-license, and full-time dentists, there will be less funds for those full-time dentists that are fully engaged in the program. The full-time recipients, like myself, are more likely to select Health Professional Shortage Areas to practice in and continue to provide care to those individuals in need. Additionally, limited-license individuals may not have the same level of training as a US/Canadian trained dentist, thus potentially putting patients at risk. Once again, I oppose SB 334 / HB 393 to improve access to care that is provided by full-time practitioners.

Thank you,

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