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FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 1560 (Delegate Donoghue)

Health and Government Operations

Education, Health, and Environmental
Affairs

State Board of Dental Examiners - Waiver of Education Requirements -
Pediatric Specialists - Repeal

This bill maintains the State Board of Dental Examiners' authority to waive the education requirements for applicants for a limited license to practice dentistry who are contractually obligated to provide pediatric dental services in a federally qualified health center or Maryland qualified health center. To do so, the bill repeals the September 30, 2006 termination date for that authority.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: Any change in State activities would not materially affect State finances.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: Minimal to the extent that the State Board of Dental Examiners would continue to waive the education requirements for specified applicants for a limited license to practice dentistry.

Analysis

Current Law: Chapter 131 of 2003 authorized the board to waive the educational requirements for specified applicants for a limited license to practice dentistry. However, applicants seeking a waiver of educational requirements must hold a degree of doctor of dental surgery, doctor of dental medicine, or an equivalent degree from a school, college, or faculty of dentistry other than one located in the United States or Canada. Applicants for a waiver must also meet other specified requirements.

Additional Information

Prior Introductions: None.

Cross File: None.

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